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PEACE?

PROSPECTS IN THE NORTH.

A NANKING EMISSARY.

Lack of Funds Holds Up Chiang's Attack.

TROOP MOVEMENTS REPORTED IN KWANGTUNG.

Prospect of peace between the Nationalists and the Peking Government is again spoken of. A Reuter message confines itself to probable discussion between the two leading factions on the question of Customs tariff but another source goes further and mentions peace in general.

Meanwhile Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek continues with his preparations for war against Peking. The order for attack should have been given to-day but lack of funds has caused the Nanking commander-in-chief to postpone the offensive.

Troop movements in various parts of Kwangtung province are reported. No further news of importance has come through from the interior of Swabue and intelligence from the north of the province is not encouraging.

TARIFF INCREASES.

Peking, Yesterday.

According to reliable Chinese sources, Mr. Chen Chung-nien, the Vice-Minister of Finance in the Nationalist Government, arrived at Peking to-day quietly. He formerly worked with Mr. Liang Shih-yi and, in view of the latter's recent appointment as Director of the Revenue Council concurrently with the Ministership of Finance, it is believed that Mr. Chen Chung-nien has come to discuss the Customs questions and that there is a possibility of agreement between the North and the South in this connection.—Reuter.

Another Version.

Tientsin, Yesterday.

On March 3, (an) important official (s) of the Nanking Government passed through Tientsin on the way to Peking. It is reported that a degree of agreement has been arrived at prior to any conversations.

One of the subjects to be discussed is the increase of Customs tariff by both sides. Another is the basis of work for peace.

Reticence is being maintained at present.—"Kung Sheung Yat Po."

ORDER FOR WAR.

Chiang Kai-shek and His Two Allies.

Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek is stated to have instructed the Finance Minister of the Nationalist Government to have $3,000,000 ready by to-day, when his headquarters staff at Nanking was to move north to the main base at Hsuchowfu for renewal of the offensive against the Peking forces. He was also to have asked the "Christian General" Feng Yu-hsiang and General Yen Hsi-shan, his allies, to begin a general attack to-day.

A later report states, however, that Chiang Kai-shek has postponed the order till March 10 on account of not having the necessary funds.

Gunners From Shanghai.

Another order by the Generalissimo is for the provincial defence troops of Chekiang and two brigades of artillery at Kiangwan, near Shanghai, to move up to the front for war service.

A series of appointments have been announced for the field headquarters at Hsuchowfu.

General Chien Ta-chun, formerly of Canton, has reached Shanghai and his army (of about 2,000) is now in Chekiang province, where he says his men have been ordered by Chiang Kai-shek to rest.

"Misunderstanding."

With reference to his taking part in a recent campaign (on the side of Marshal Li Chai-sum) against the Ironsides (who have now been sponsored by Chiang Kai-shek), he explains that the fighting was due to a misunderstanding.

It can now be said that the 10,000 or so regular troops who were ejected from Kwangtung by the Canton Government are now within reasonable distance or serving Chiang Kai-shek.

KWANGTUNG.

Troop Movements to Cope With Red Danger.

Some of the Papersides (i.e., men of the 5th Army) are going out of Canton on transfer to the East River to replace units in the garrison which have marched eastward to form part of the punitive expedition against the Swabue Soviet which has held sway in the Hoifung and Lukfung districts (between Swatow and Bias Bay) for six months.

Other units in the Kwangtung army are being moved about on a large scale.

Pleas for Assistance.

Men of the 7th army (mostly natives of Kwangsi) are now in large numbers at Shiukwan and elsewhere along the northern frontier of the province. Reports of unrest have been received from this area and several townships are pleading for assistance in case of danger from Red sorties. Some go so far as to state that the Communists in the vicinity have been audacious enough to plan an attack on the military base at Shiukwan.

MISSING APPRENTICE.

Leung Chau, master of the Leung Chan Kee silversmith's shop of No. 4, Kuiyau Lane reported to the police yesterday that at about 8 o'clock on the previous night he sent an apprentice surnamed Luk to the Yau Loong silversmith's shop at No. 17, Wing Lee Street to take delivery of a pair of silver vases worth $10. The vases were taken delivery of, but the apprentice failed to return.

As the result of investigations made by the police, the vases were recovered, but so far no trace of the apprentice could be found.

The annual meeting of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., will be held in the company's town office, Queen's Building, at 12 noon on March 20. Transfer books will be closed between March 14 and 20 inclusive.

A MISFORTUNE.

Anglo-Egyptian Treaty Rejection.

VITAL POINTS.

London Journal Outlines What Britain Would Surrender.

London, Yesterday.

In regard to the Egyptian Cabinet's decision to reject the draft Anglo-Egyptian treaty negotiated by Sarwat Pasha and Sir Austen Chamberlain, the "Daily Chronicle" agrees with the latter that this is a misfortune for Egypt rather than for Great Britain, but adds, the "Second treaty, if frankly accepted, would be much to the interest of both parties. Subject to certain points, Great Britain has no motive for limiting Egypt's independence, but these points are vital to our Empire's security. By meeting us on them and accepting British friendship in the spirit of their country the most favourable future."

The "Morning Post" takes the view that the terms offered to Egypt were so far-reaching that would have been a misfortune for British Empire had they been accepted, and continues, "They surrender certain principles which seem to be vital to British security, British subjects and British interests. They modify capitulation, they confer taxation rights over foreign nationals, they abolish certain safeguards of justice to foreigners and they further limit the functions of both financial and judicial advisers, and they abolish the British Sirdar."

The "Morning Post" also complains that the draft treaty would have committed vital interests of the Empire to the League of Nations in 10 years' time.

The "Daily News" regrets the failure of the treaty and urges large number of sensible Egyptian nationalists who dedeplore the course or events to take more active steps to resist the extremists. The journal adds, "If wilder spirits use the occasion to provoke a recurrence of violent agitation the cause of Egyptian independence will be betrayed, not by the British but by the unintelligent obstinacy of a handful of Egyptian fanatics." — British Wireless Service.

KING'S COLLEGE.

A full account of the formal opening by H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi) of the new King's College, which took place yesterday after we had gone to Press at 3 p.m., is published on page 9 of this issue, together with a comprehensive description of the College building and photographs of H.E. the Governor and Mr. A. Morris, the Headmaster.

NOT FOR SANDINO.

NICARAGUAN LIBERALS' DECISION.

U.S. "AMICABLE MEDIATION."

Managua, Yesterday.

The Liberals have completely disavowed Sandino, their former ally against the Conservatives by the publication of a programme supporting General Moncado for the presidential election in October, pledging to devote their efforts to re-build the nation, declaring they "accept with pleasure the amicable mediation of the United States to decide our political differences."—Reuter.

ECHO OF COLLISION.

SOVIET AUTHORITIES AND "TOVARISCH" INCIDENT.

Moscow, Yesterday.

The president of the "Sovtorgflot" or mercantile marine, has issued a statement on the collision of the "Alcantara" and "Tovarisch." If the detailed report of the "Tovarisch's" captain, when received, showed the Russian officers guilty of an infringement of international life-saving customs they would be severely punished. —Reuter.

F.A. CUP DRAW.

Four Clubs In The Semi-Final.

HOW THEY ARE PAIRED.

Matches At Manchester And Leicester.

London, Yesterday

The draw for the semi-final round of the Football Association Cup was held in the F.A. offices to-day and resulted:—

Huddersfield Town v. Sheffield United, at Old Trafford, the ground of Manchester United.

Blackburn Rovers v. Arsenal, at the ground of Leicester City.

BETTER LATER.

N.E. winds, fresh, overcast, with rain, improving later, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anticyclone now covers south Manchuria, Korea and the Yellow Sea. Depressions are situated over Tongking and to the east of Hokkaido. Fresh to moderate monsoon will prevail along the S.E. Coast of China and over the Northern China Sea.

The ties will be decided on March 24.

—Reuter.

Blackburn Rovers have won the Cup five times and were runners-up once.

Sheffield United have succeeded four times (once since the War) and have lost in one final.

Huddersfield lost the final in 1920 but won in 1922.

Arsenal lost in the final last year.

THE I. L. P.

MR. MACDONALD REFUSES NOMINATION.

London, Yesterday.

Following Mr. P. Snowden's recent breakaway from the Independent Labour Party it is now announced that Mr. D. MacDonald has not accepted nomination in the forthcoming election for four members of the National Administrative Council of the I.L.P.—Reuter.

PERSONAL TOUCH.

LADY CLEMENTI PRAISES Y.M.C.A. HELPERS.

CHEER 'O PLANS.

"I am sure that Servicemen very much enjoy the small measure of hospitality and friendship which we can extend to those who have left their Homes in the service of the Empire," said Lady Clementi when presiding this morning at the meeting of helpers at the Cheer 'O Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., held in the Helena May Institute.

"What they appreciate is the personal touch," added Lady Clementi, in the course of a review of what had been done and plans for the future. She was supported by Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe and Mrs. C. G. Alabaster.

A letter of appreciation from Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, the chairman of the Y.M.C.A. was read.

Excellent Response.

The meeting was called in connection with the transfer of the Cheer 'O from Queen's Building to the City Hall and to canvass for additional lady helpers. About seventy ladies were present.

A library in connection with the Cheer 'O is one of the projects mooted and it was suggested that a concert be held annually to raise funds for such a library. A sub-committee for the library has been appointed with power to add.

Names were taken at the conclusion of the meeting and those present were requested to enrol as many friends as possible. There was an excellent response to the appeal.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR.

The clearing rate of the dollar in London to-day was [illegible]

$400,000 MORTGAGE.

Counsel On Plaintiff's Intelligence.

PURPORT OF DOCUMENTS.

"Knew More About Them Than They Make Out."

Mr. F. C. Jenkin continued with argument at this morning's hearing of the $400,000 case, claiming that it was clear from the evidence that the two plaintiffs knew more of the legalities involved in property dealings than they would have the Court believe.

Loo Kwong-lam and Loo Kwong-hin appeal against a judgment of Mr. Justice Wood's that they had fraudulently misrepresented their age in becoming parties to the mortgage and that they were not entitled to be relieved of its responsibilities except under certain conditions.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., is for appellants and Mr. F. C. Jenkin for respondents.

Mr. Jenkin dealt with correspondence passing between the respective solicitors for a period of two months regarding the settlement of the property, claiming that this established that it was clear that the respective legal advisers of the three parties and their clients were aware of the fact that a settlement was to be effected by bringing into existence three documents, the assignment, the release and the mortgage.

Knowledge of Release?

Counsel further claimed that for all practical purposes these documents might be treated as one for the reason that the trustees who under the settlement were to assign Inland Lot No. 7, would obviously not do it until they had got a release from plaintiffs of all claims against the estate. It was also obvious that plaintiffs could not get the money in respect of Inland Lot No. 7 unless they paid in a certain amount by way of equalisation. This could not be done without the mortgage having been effected.

Counsel examined the evidence of Mr. Davidson and claimed that it was a fair inference that when the draft forms and suggested settlement were sent to Mr. Davidson by Wilkinson and Grist, he convened a meeting between himself and clients at which Mr. Soong was present when the matter was discussed before a reply was sent.

Counsel also referred to the evidence of Mr. Blake which, he claimed, sufficiently indicated that in a matter of this kind the usual forms attendant on the efficient administration of an affair of this kind by a firm of solicitors had been gone through. It was obvious that where the parties were engaged in settlement of an acute family dispute, the solicitors would consult and seek approval of their respective clients on every step put forward by one side or the other.

Counsel claimed that it was evident from this evidence that the plaintiff Lam—and later, he would claim, Hin also—must have understood the exact nature of the settlement of a very complicated matter. Plaintiffs had adopted an attitude at the start which, however, had tapered off a little towards the end under cross-examination, that they knew nothing about the nature of transactions of this kind. As the case proceeded, counsel claimed, plaintiffs were driven into an admission of much greater knowledge than was deposed to in the letter written on their behalf by Mr Brutton.

Previous Property Dealings.

Counsel referred to Lam's evidence that he knew one of the documents was a mortgage but that he did not know what the other documents were. Counsel went on to refer to evidence which shewed that Lam had received property in the same estate situate at Macao some years previous to this settlement, that he had handled this property on his own, mortgaged it and conructed the negotiations through solicitors. It was not as if Lam, then, had gone to Wilkinson and Grist on February 10 without any previous knowledge of the class of document attendant on advances on property, claimed counsel.

Counsel referred to further evidence which he claimed shewed that Lam was alive to a great amount of the detail attendant on the settlement with which the Court was concerned, regarding the six houses in Hong Kong. Yet Lam had stated that he never heard that there was a deed of release. He denied all knowledge of the fact or manner by which the trustees were to be released and whilst stating that he knew the Lot was to become the property of the four brothers, he did not know a deed was necessary. He denied that a deed of assignment was, in fact, executed. He stated that there was no interpretation, that he asked no one what the documents were which he was signing and that it was not until the case had been brought into Court that he knew what the documents were. According to Lam's evidence, in spite of the fact that he was living with Wai, one of the brothers, and was in constant touch with the other brothers, he had never asked any of them or anyone else what the documents were.

"Not Imbeciles."

Regarding the release, continued counsel, Lam stated that he only saw it when he signed it. He knew a release was necessary to the settlement but did not know its actual purport. With regard to the assignment, Lam said that a few days after signing it, Sung shewed him a document which he said was the assignment. Lam handed his copy to his solicitors. He did not then understand the position.

Counsel claimed that from the evidence it was clear that the plaintiffs were not the "imbeciles" they would have the Court believe they were at the time that the settlement was effected.

The case is proceeding.

INSPECTION POSTPONED.

The annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade by H.E. the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.), arranged for this afternoon at the Murray parade ground, has been postponed owing to the inclemency of the weather.

AGAINST BRITAIN.

Ibnsaud Joins Iraq Rebels.

"THE SWORD."

Chief Who Has Had Confidence Of Government.

Basras, Yesterday.

Messengers from Koweit state that Ibnsaud has informed the chief leaders of the Nejd tribes that he has now decided, like them, that the sword is the only means of restoring to Islam the infidels of Koweit, Iraq and Trans-Jordania. He is ready to assist the tribes with rifles, ammunition, food and everything in his power.

In the House of Commons Mr. Amery announced that the Government furnished Ibnsaud prior information as regards the British action to repel the raiders in Iraq. —Reuter.

Work of R.A.F.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. L. S. Amery stated that the Government had been most careful to furnish Ibn Saud, King of the Hejaz, with information regarding British action for repelling the raiders in Iraq. He was satisfied that the British Air Force had done and was doing all that was possible to repel raids on the southern front of Iraq. He was quite sure the raiders would ultimately learn that they could not penetrate into Iraq territory and indulge in wanton damage and massacre of men, women and children.—British Wireless Service.

No Foundation.

The Colonial Office states there is no foundation whatever for the reports that have appeared in the Press to the effect that troops are being sent from India in connection with the Wahabi troubles.—British Wireless Service.

SHOT TO DEATH.

Barber's Attack On Doctor.

MANILA OUTRAGE.

Shooting The Culmination Of Litigation.

Manila, March 2.

Dr. Damian Magtibay, of Candelaria, Tayabas, was shot to death at 10.45 a.m. yesterday at the Candelaria railroad station, according to a communication received last night. Luis Maalihan, a barber, who was reported to have been charged with the killing, surrendered himself and the unlicensed pistol alleged to have been used by him, to the town police, after being threatened by them.

The fatal shots were fired at the doctor immediately after he left his coach in which also was Maalihan. Six shots were discharged, but just how many of them hit their mark was not stated in the communication.

Attempts to Retaliate.

The doctor who was also carrying a pistol attempted to retaliate, but before he could pull the trigger he fell dead, blood flowing from his bullet-ridden body. Maalihan then seized his victim's pistol but surrendered when he saw that resistance to the police was useless.

The shooting, it was reported, was the culmination of a litigation in which the victim and the aggressor were interested parties. It appears from the findings of the local police and the constabulary that Maalihan was accused of assault at the instance of Dr. Magtibay. The trial was scheduled to take place yesterday before Judge Tuason.

On Way to Court.

The doctor, accompanied by his attorney, Tomas Umali, and the aggressor boarded the same train in different coaches at Lucena. At Candelaria, both left the coach and were chatting on the station platform when the first shot was fired from a distance of 20 meters. Another shot followed and then, four others in rapid succession, mortally wounding the doctor.

A complaint for murder will be filed against Maalihan with the justice of the peace court of Candelaria, it is expected. The tragedy was witnessed by many passengers on board the train and two constabulary men who were also on the train.

JAPAN ROYALTY.

EMPEROR NEARLY WELL AGAIN.

ANXIETY OVER PRINCESS.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

The Emperor, though still abed, has nearly recovered. The condition of the Princess Hisa has not improved and is causing anxiety.—Reuter.

RUBBER FEARS.

PREMIER'S FURTHER ASSURANCE.

London, Yesterday.

The Premier was asked if an arrangement could be made for the committee inquiring into the question of rubber restriction to make an interim report at the earliest possible moment and so help to allay the anxiety now left in the rubber industry.

The Premier gave an assurance that the sole object of the Government was the development and prosperity of the rubber industry and therefore the time and manner of any announcement would be such as would best conduce to that end.—British Wireless Service.

Malayan Opposition.

London, To-day.

According to a Kuala Lumpur telegram the Malayan Planters' Association has passed a resolution opposing a reversal of policy in regard to rubber control.—Reuter.

GERMAN CRUISER.

10,000-TON VESSEL FOR THE BALTIC.

Berlin, Yesterday.

The Budget committee of the Reichstag by 15 to 12 sanctioned the first instalment of 10,000,000 marks for the construction of a 10,000-ton battle cruiser for the protection of German ports in the Baltic, and the security of East Prussia.—Reuter.

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An important announcement by Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd., agents of the Hong Kong Electric Co., Ltd., is made on page 3 of this issue.

A series of extraordinary meetings will be held in connection with increasing the present capital of $3,000,000 to $6,000,000. A sum of $1,500,000 in the Reserve Fund is to be capitalised on the basis (in general terms) of one bonus share of $10 for each two $10 shares held by shareholders.

JAPANESE SILK.

PROPOSED EXCHANGE IN KOBE.

YOKOHAMA OPPOSITION.

Efforts are being made to start dealings in silk in Kobe. The plan is to set apart a floor in the Kobe Stock Exchange for this purpose. An officer of the Stock Exchange, who has been to Tokyo on the matter, is quoted by local papers as saying the Tokyo Government is favourably disposed to the proposal and he is confident that sanction will be given in the near future. On the other hand, rumours are afloat that Mr. Nakahashi, Minister of Commerce and Industry, does not appear to think that the arrangement is satisfactory, and is not willing to grant the Kobe Exchange the increase in capital necessary for adding the commodity to its list.

State Trade Policy.

The Yokohama silk trade strongly opposes the establishment of a Kobe Exchange. The Silk Traders Guild held a meeting of its officers on January 27, in order to discuss the situation, and came to the conclusion that another exchange would not only affect the Yokohama market seriously, but would throw out the trade policy maintained by the State. They claim that two exchanges for raw silk will result only in frequent fluctuations at wide ranges of price, making transactions extremely risky and deranging the whole mechanism. At an emergency the Yokohama Exchange is in a position to keep the price at the right point because the members are for the most part commission merchants, an advantage which will be gone when dealings on account are allowed elsewhere. The project will defeat the one port system for raw silk maintained so long by the State. The Guild take up the matter.

Prompt Action.

The charter for dealings in raw silk may be granted to the Kobe Stock Exchange sooner than expected. On February 1, Mr. Nakahashi, Minister of Commerce and Industry, invited Mr. Shijo, Vice-Minister, and Mr. Soejima, Director of Commerce Affairs Bureau, to his private residence, requesting them, it is understood, to take the necessary steps for granting the charter at an early date.

Prompt action has been decided upon, it is reported, by the Minister of Commerce and Industry in view of the strong opposition being offered by the Yokohama silk trade and other bodies interested. The Minister holds it is important that the matter should be settled before the situation is complicated.

Osaka's Claims.

In granting the charter, the Department of Commerce and Industry will publish a statement, giving the reasons for which the Kobe Stock Exchange is allowed to deal in raw silk. It may be noted that when the first application for the charter was made by the Exchange the Department decided, as reported by the Japanese Press, to reject it, Mr. Soejima, Director of the Commerce Affairs Bureau, and other officials who had studied the problem having made an unfavourable report. There is another incident of interest in this connection. When the official studied the conditions on the spot in response to the first application, he discovered irregularities in the mode of business on the Stock Exchange and the Department was on the point of issuing a warning to the Committee of the Exchange when Mr. Takigawa Gisaku, Chairman, filed a strong objection with the Department, and resigned his chairmanship. The warning, therefore, was not issued. Interest attaches to how the Department of Commerce and Industry will reconcile this with the granting of the charter for silk.

Output Balanced.

Osaka is the better place for a silk exchange, says the Osaka Chamber of Commerce, which has also started an agitation. It may be recalled that the Osaka Chamber raised the question a few years ago. Dr. Takayanagi, Director of the Chamber, is quoted by the "Osaka Jiji" as saying that Osaka is better qualified for dealings in raw silk on account. The output of raw silk is well balanced between Western Japan and Eastern Japan. Kobe does not export silk but sends out silk piece goods, which is a good reason for Western Japan to have a silk exchange. If so, the choice must be given to Osaka or Kobe. In Dr. Takayanagi's opinion Osaka is the better place, for Osaka gives more banking facilities and has a larger number of the men in the trade and deals on a larger scale.—"Japan Chronicle."

COTTON INDUSTRY.

EMPLOYERS WITHDRAW OFFER.

BOARD ASKED FOR.

London, Yesterday.

In connection with the joint conference of cotton employers and operatives at Manchester to-day, it is announced that the former has definitely withdrawn their recommendations regarding hours and wages, and suggested the establishment of a voluntary Joint Committee of Enquiry to investigate finance, taxation, hours, wages, Trade Union restrictions, finishing charges, marketing and shipping. —Reuter.

Points At Issue.

The operatives have agreed to participate in a joint enquiry with an independent chairman if the terms reference are revised and each side is allowed the assistance of a competent accountant and statistician.

The employers replied that the terms of reference were wide enough and that an independent chairman was unnecessary. Both sides were fully competent to deal with any question submitted for enquiry without the assistance of outside professional men.

The operatives replied they were unsatisfied that the employers intended to have a full enquiry and declared the responsibility for the breakdown rested with the employers.—Reuter.

Fresh Complication.

Since the last meeting a fresh complication has arisen in consequence of the suggestion of the cotton spinners proposing a ballot in the American section and the question of reverting to organised short time. A tentative motion to this effect is likely to be raised at to-day's conference, although the employers have not yet decided on definite steps.

DOCK CO. PROFIT.

ITEMS IN THE REPORT FOR LAST YEAR.

SUM CARRIED FORWARD.

The gross profit of the Hong Kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. for the year ended Dec. 31, 1927 subject to final audit, is $700,564.33. After deducting interest, rates, Crown rent, insurance, directors' and auditors' fees, and allowing the sum of $62,017.81 for depreciation on buildings and plant,

there remains a net profit for the year of $133,436.99

to which must be added the amount brought forward from last year $68,614.11

making the total at credit of Profits and Loss Account at Dec. 31, 1927, $202,051.10

which the directors proposed to carry forward to new account.

RUBBER FIRE.

FACTORY DESTROYED AT SINGAPORE.

Singapore, Yesterday.

One of the largest rubber factories in the island has been destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at $500,000.—Reuter.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended Feb. 18, amounted to 76,482 tons and the sales during the period to 88,190 tons.

TRADE MOVING.

PEKING LEADERS' GOOD SENSE.

SUIYUAN RAILWAY.

Peking, Feb. 21.

So much has been done throughout China during the past few years to discourage trade that it is a pleasant novelty to be able to record an improvement in communications and reduction in transit taxes on even a single line leading into the interior. The Peking military folk certainly are to be congratulated upon having revived something like normal commerce on the Suiyuan Railway since they recovered the western half of the line from the Shansi Nationalists.

Mountains of Goods.

For a long time after the recovery of Kalgan from Feng Yuhsiang, in 1926, the railway and all traffic on it were monopolies in the hands of merchant militarists and the impositions upon legitimate trade were prohibitive. Mountains of goods were stacked by the roadway in Kalgan which the merchants despaired of moving. Not so very long ago, a table was compiled showing that the charges, transit, and other taxes, impositions and squeezes, as far as the border of Shansi's sphere of influence on the line, amounted to ten times the normal freight, while the cost of crossing the Shansi frontier just doubled the total up to that point.

Miracle Worked.

The compounding of taxes and squeezes was impossible, because there was no single authority from whom a compromise could be bought.

By some miracle this whole system has been wiped out. Freights and taxes have been standardised and reduced to a reasonable figure and cars readily can be procured without bribing half the railway staff and the army to boot. Imports therefore are moving to Paotouchen fairly smoothly and Mongolian products are coming out. This is a big tribute to reviving discipline and a testimonial to the Peking group's common-sense. — "N. C. Daily News."

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HONG KONG TIDE.

The tide-table given below has been obtained by aid of the Tide-predicting Machine, which includes 40 components for the better prediction of tides, from the result of the analysis of the tidal observations, taken at the Kaulung tidal observatory under the direction of Dr. Doberck during the years 1887, 1888, & 1889.

The times and heights are given for Kaulung; but they may be used for the Victoria Naval yard and Aberdeen, the differences being very small.

The times of high-and low-water must not be considered to coincide with the times of slack-water and change of current, the two phenomena being quite distinct.

March 2 to 8, 1928.

Date		High Water		Lower Water	
	Feb.	Standard Times	Ht.	Standard Times	Ht.
Fri.	2	m 8 47	4.2	m 1 24	1.4
		6 29a	6.4	m 11 29	4.0
Sat.	3	m 9 16	4.4	m 2 13	1.1
		7 31a	7.0	0 33 a	3.9
Sun.	4	m 9 41	4.5	m 2 41	0.9
		8 23a	7.2	1 29 a	3.6
Mon.	5	m 10 4	4.6	m 3 14	0.9
		9 9a	7.2	1 15 a	3.2
Tues	6	m 10 26	4.7	m 3 46	1.0
		9 51a	7.1	3 3 a	2.8
Wed.	7	m 10 46	4.9	m 4 17	1.2
		10 27a	6.8	3 46 a	2.6
Thurs	8	m 11 4	5.1	m 4 47	1.5
		10 56a	6.4	4 23 a	2.5

HONG KONG MARKET PRODUCE.

APPROXIMATE RETAIL PRICES.

Butcher Meat.

			Feb. 17, 1928. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Beef Sirloin	牛尻肥	lb.	28	24	12
" Prime Cut		"	28	23	12
" Corned	咸牛肉	"	—	23	12
" Roast	燒肉牛	"	28	24	22
" Breast	牛腩	"	24	20	18
" Soup	湯肉	"	26	20	18
" Steak	牛扒	"	28	24	22
" Steak Sirloin	牛柳	"	40	30	35
" Sausages	牛腸	"	40	26	20
Bullock's Brains	牛腦	per set	15	10	12
" Tongue, fresh	牛脷	each	65	50	60
" Tongue, corned	咸牛脷	"	—	60	—
" Head	牛頭	"	$1.20	—	$1.20
" Heart	牛心	lb.	24	13	14
" Hump, Salt	牛膊	"	34	20	18
" Feet	牛腳	each	8	10	12
" Kidneys	牛腰	"	15	16	12
" Tail	牛尾	"	28	20	22
" Liver	牛肝	lb.	24	18	14
" Tripe	牛肚	"	7	6	7
Calves' Head & Feet	牛仔頭腳	set	$1.20	$1.00	$1.00
Mutton Chop	羊排骨	lb.	48	26	—
" Leg	羊髀	"	48	26	—
" Shoulder	羊手	"	46	24	—
" Saddle	肉	"	46	—	—
Pig's Chitlings	猪腸	"	30	—	27
" Brains	猪腦	Per set	3	—	12
" Feet	猪腳	lb.	16	15	—
" Fry	猪什	"	28	15	18
" Head	猪頭	"	15	20	—
" Heart	猪心	each	15	10	10
" Kidneys	猪腰	"	15	10	3
" Liver	猪肝	lb.	52	30	24
Pork Chop	猪排骨	"	35	25	23
" Leg	猪髀	"	35	—	—
" Loin	猪後腿	"	40	60	70
" Fat or Lard	猪油	"	26	21	—
Sheep's Head & Feet	羊頭腳	per set	85	60	70
" Heart	羊心	each	12	8	7
" Kidneys	羊腰	"	15	12	10
" Liver	羊肝	"	46	26	25
Sucking Pigs, to order	乳猪	lb.	20	25	22
Suet, Beef	鮮牛油	"	30	20	18
" Mutton	鮮羊油	"	46	26	26
Veal	牛仔肉	"	36	20	19
" Sausages	牛仔腸	"	36	20	20
" " No. 1		"	30	—	—

Fish.

Barbel	鯪魚	lb.	56	19	24
Bream	鯿魚	"	30	20	16
Canton Fresh Water Fish.	(塘魚水) (省城淡水海鮮)	"	24	13	16
Carp	鯉魚	"	30	16	27
Catfish	鯰魚	"	28	12	9
Codfish	鱈魚	"	36	20	25
Crabs	蟹	"	38	28	26
Cuttle Fish	墨魚	"	28	16	2
Dab		"	44	23	16
Dace	[illegible]	"	46	20	—
Dog Fish	龍肚沙	"	12	10	8
Eels, Conger	海鰻	"	32	16	—
" Fresh Water	淡水鰻	"	26	10	18
" Yellow	黃鱔	"	22	26	30
Frogs	田雞	"	30	32	25
Garoupa	石斑	"	75	40	30
Gudgeon	[illegible]	"	30	22	18
Herrings	鰽白	"	25	18	23
Halibut	[illegible]	"	30	18	15
Labrus	黃花魚	"	28	22	18
Loach	[illegible]	"	45	22	24
Lobsters	龍蝦	"	45	32	21
Mackerel	馬鮫魚	"	26	20	26
Monk Fish	[illegible]	"	30	13	2
Mullet	[illegible]	"	25	13	2
Oysters	[illegible]	"	24	16	22
Parrot Fish	雞公魚	"	25	14	9
Perch	鱸魚	"	28	20	15
Pike	花班	"	30	16	9
Plaice	[illegible]	"	44	26	29
Pomfret, Black	黑鱠魚	"	32	36	30
Pomfret, White	白鱠魚	"	48	36	45
Prawns	明蝦	"	60	10	14
Ray	[illegible]	"	15	10	14
Rock Fish	石狗公	"	32	13	13
Roach	[illegible]	"	28	22	16
Salmon	馬友魚	"	65	86	80
Shark	沙魚	"	12	8	10
Skate	[illegible]	"	14	10	10
Shrimps	蝦	"	45	32	30
Snapper	立魚	"	46	26	35
Soles	撻沙魚	"	36	28	28
Tench	[illegible]	"	30	22	18
Turbot	左口魚	"	28	18	12
Turtles, small, fr. water	水魚	"	1.25	40	—

Poultry.

			Feb. 17, 1928. Cts.	June, 1918. Cts.	June, 1914. Cts.
Chicken	雞	lb.	60	30	31
Capons, Small	線雞	"	50	28	30
Capons, Large	肥線雞	"	50	28	30
Duck	鴨	"	40	22	21
Doves	斑鳩	each	—	22	21
Eggs, Hen (cooking)	雞蛋	per doz.	32	18	—
Eggs, Hen (fresh)	新鮮雞蛋	"	38	25	20
Fowls, Canton	本地雞	lb.	64	36	24
Fowls, Hainan	海南雞	"	50	36	24
Geese	鵝	"	40	24	24
Pigeons, Canton	白鴿	each	60	30	—
" Hoihow	海口鴿	"	50	28	—
Turkeys, Cock	火雞公	lb.	68	—	—
Turkeys, Hen	火雞乸	"	58	51	45
Snipe	沙錐	each	—	—	—
Pheasant	山雞	pair	—	—	—
Quail	鵪鶉	each	32	—	2
Partridges	鷓鴣	"	90	—	—

Fruits.

Almonds	杏仁	lb.	73	35	—
Apples (California)	金山蘋果	"	22	24	—
Bananas (bride's)	新山香蕉	"	6	4	—
Carambola	楊桃	"	—	12	—
Cocoanuts	椰子	each	13	10	10
Lemons, China	檸檬	lb.	12	7	0
Lemons (America)	金山檸檬	each	10	8	0
Lichees, Dried	荔枝干	lb.	—	25	30
Oranges (Canton)	新會甜橙	"	11	—	—
Oranges	橙	"	18	—	15
Pears (Canton)	沙梨	"	18	—	—
Peanuts	花生	"	14	10	12
Persimmons, Large	紅柿	"	—	12	—
Plantain	大蕉	"	8	3	—
Pumelo, Siam	暹羅柚	each	15	12	6
Walnuts	合桃	lb.	18	—	16
Grapes	菩提子	"	—	—	—

Vegetables, &c.

Artichokes	雞芝竹	each	12	—	8
Beans, Sprout	芽菜	lb.	5	—	7
" Long	豆角	"	—	8	—
Beet Root	紅菜頭	lb.	12	—	—
Bitter Squash	苦瓜	"	5	5	9
Brinjals, Green	青瓜	"	7	5	9
" Red	紅瓜	"	7	5	3
Cabbage, Chinese	芥菜	"	8	—	—
" (Shanghai)	紹菜	"	6	12	—
Cane Shoots, bunch	[illegible]	"	6	—	—
Cauliflower (Large)	大椰菜花	each	18	—	—
" (Medium)	中椰菜花	"	14	—	—
" (Small)	細椰菜花	"	12	6	6
Carrots	[illegible]	lb.	6	6	6
Celery, Chinese	唐芹	"	8	10	6
Chillies, Dried	辣椒干	"	25	25	5
" Red	紅辣椒	"	14	10	16
" Green	青花椒	"	12	8	12
Curry Stuff, English	架厘材料	"	12	8	—
Cucumbers	青瓜	"	10	2	—
Garlic	蒜頭	"	10	6	6
Ginger, Young	子薑	"	7	7	—
" Old	老薑	"	6	10	—
Horseradish, Shanghai		"	30	8	4
Indian Corn	粟米	"	5	45	—
Lettuce	生菜	"	5	1	—
Water Chestnuts	馬蹄	"	8	—	8
" Mandarin	桂林馬蹄	"	12	—	8
Mushrooms, Fresh	鮮草菇	"	—	—	8
Okroes		"	—	1	10
Onions, Bombay	[illegible]	"	9	8	3
" Green	生葱	"	5	4	6
" Shanghai	上海葱頭	"	6	6	—
Parsley	芹菜	"	20	60	8
Potato, Sweet	番薯	"	5	3	—
" Japanese	日本薯仔	"	4	3	—
" American	金山薯仔	"	6	3	—
Pumpkin	冬瓜	"	6	4	4
Radish	[illegible]	"	5	—	—
Rhubarb (Fresh)	大黃菜	"	15	—	10
Shallots	干葱	"	6	3	—
Spinach	莧菜	"	8	4	—
Tomatoes	番茄	"	10	7	—
Taros	芋	"	10	6	—
Turnips, Punti (Long)	[illegible]	"	5	4	—
Vegetable Marrow	節瓜	"	—	4	—
Water Cress	西洋菜	"	5	15	—
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SECOND ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, Lower Albert Road, on SATURDAY, 10th MARCH, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending December, 1927, declaring a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to 10th MARCH, 1928, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
M. MANUK,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 23rd February, 1928.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. O. Building, on FRIDAY, 16th March, 1928, at 12 Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Register of Members of the Company will be CLOSED from 3rd March, 1928 to 16th March, 1928, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1928.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE 39th ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 21st day of March, 1928, at Noon for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 13th March, 1928, until WEDNESDAY, the 21st March, 1928, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1928.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-NINTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on MONDAY, the 26th March, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1927.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 12th to the 26th March, 1928, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
General Managers,
The Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hong Kong, 5th March, 1928.

NOTICES.

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at P. & O. Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong at 12.10 o'clock in the afternoon on FRIDAY, the 16th day of March, 1928, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolution as an Extraordinary Resolution:—

"That the capital of the Com-"pany be increased from its pre-"sent capital of $3,000,000 (Hong "Kong Currency) divided into "300,000 shares of $10 each to "$6,000,000 (Hong Kong Cur-"rency) divided into 600,000 "shares of $10 each and that "such additional shares shall "rank in all respects pari passu "with the original capital of the "Company."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon on MONDAY, the Second day of April, 1928, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, confirming the above Resolution as a Special Resolution.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on MONDAY, the Second day of April, 1928, at 12.40 o'clock in the afternoon or so soon thereafter as the above Meeting shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions, namely:—

1. "That the Directors be, and "they are hereby authorised, to "capitalise the sum of $1,500,-"000 profits of the Company "standing to the credit of the "Company's Reserve Fund and to "allot to the members holding "shares of the Company as on "the 1st day of July, 1928, in res-"pect of the net amount capitalis-"ed fully paid shares of the Com-"pany of equivalent nominal "value in the proportion of one "share for every two shares of "the Company then held by such "persons respectively and that "such shares so allotted shall "rank for dividends as from the "1st day of July, 1928."
2. "That if, on such distribution "as aforesaid, any person would "be entitled to a fraction of a "share, the Directors shall, in "lieu of issuing fractional certi-"ficates, cause the whole share "to be allotted to a person or "persons to be named by the "Directors and such share may, "at such time as the Directors "think fit, be sold and the pro-"ceeds distributed amongst the "person entitled to the fractions "making up the share."

Dated the 3rd day of March, 1928.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD
Agents.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that ANDREW HARPER & SON have ceased to be the authorised dealers of this Company for Hong Kong and South China as from the 26th day of January, 1928.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY.

Hong Kong 25th February, 1928.

NOTICE.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that WALLACE HARPER & CO., LTD., have been appointed our authorised dealers for Hong Kong and South China as from the 1st day of February, 1928.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY.

Hong Kong 25th February, 1928.

THE HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

IF the Marine Boiler left on Kowloon Marine Lot No. 49 by SEE TO MING is not claimed and removed within FOURTEEN (14) days, same will be sold to defray expenses.

F. H. CRAPNELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 24th Feb., 1928.

DENISON, RAM & GIBBS.

MR. L. GIBBS will retire from this firm on 31st March, 1928, and will have no responsibility for any work done by the firm after that date.

The business will be carried on under the name of DENISON, RAM & GIBBS by Mr. E. F. R. Cripps.

Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1928.

OPIUM CHARGE.

REVENUE OFFICERS' FIND ON SHIP.

CAPTAIN SUMMONED.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, Mr. R. E. Lindsell heard a summons against the Hoi On Steamship Company of 43, Connaught Road Central, who were alleged, as owners of the s.s. "Hoicheong," to have used the ship for the importation, carriage and conveyance of 720 taels of raw and 125 taels of prepared non-Government opium.

A similar summons against Chan Kai-yu, the master of the "Hoicheong" was heard simultaneously.

The shipping company was represented by Mr. M. M. Watson, whilst the master of the "Hoicheong" was defended by Mr. W. D. Owen.

The prosecution was conducted by Mr. H. K. Holmes on behalf of the Import and Export Office.

Translations.

Mr. Holmes, at the outset told his Worship that he understood that there had been considerable argument regarding the translation of the Charter Party and as a consequence the translation was not yet ready, or to put it in other words, the dispute had been about the translation. He said that if Mr. Watson was going to rely on the translation he would like to see the document. Mr. Holmes added that there was a dispute as to the right rendering.

Mr. Watson informed his Worship that under the Charter Party, his clients, as owners, claimed to be able to take back the ship and it was accordingly seized. The charterers made an application in Court that the document would not bear the construction which the owners put and that therefore the ship should be released.

Proceeding, Mr. Watson stated that he had put his version of the correct translation of the Charter Party before the Court translator yesterday and he added that he hoped to get the document to-day. When he received the Charter Party he would be able to point out to his Worship exactly where the dispute arose.

In reply to Mr. Lindsell, Mr. Holmes stated that even if the owners put in the Charter Party it would at the most satisfy one of the requirements of the Opium Ordinance, but that would not be enough.

Owners' Obligation.

Continuing, Mr. Holmes submitted that in the present case there was a statutory obligation imposed on the owners. If the Charter Party removed that obligation, it would not be a Charter Party at all, said Mr. Holmes but a bill of sale.

Senior Revenue Officer George Watt gave interesting evidence of the discovery of the ingenious hiding place of the opium. He described a visit of a party of searchers from the Revenue Department to the "Hoicheong," alongside the Saikung wharf, at daybreak on February 2.

The witness who was with the search party, went down to the crew's quarters in the forecastle, and there turned his attention to a cabin which was partitioned off the port side. A quantity of tea and seed cakes which were on the floor of the cabin were removed, and a concealed trap-door was revealed.

When opened, the trap-door was found to lead to a small compartment underneath the cabin. Here was an old disused tank, and in it some of the opium was discovered. The remainder of the drug was contained in a sack hidden in a manhole under the floor boards of the cabin.

Crew Not Mustered.

After the discovery of the opium, the Captain was sent for, but after making some inquiry, he said that he could not find the occupier of the cabin. Later the S.R.O., again boarded the ship and asked to have the crew mustered.

The Captain did not do so, but simply told the witness that two of the crew were missing.

The case was adjourned until Saturday morning next.

NOTICE.

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SCHOOL PRIZES.

ST. PAUL'S INSTITUTION DISTRIBUTION.

LADY CLEMENTI PRESENT.

Lady Clementi presented the prizes at the annual prize distribution yesterday of St. Paul's Institution (Anglo-French School) at which the school report was read by Father Byrne.

Prior to the distribution a concert was given by the pupils.

Among those present were Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, Mr. E. Ralphs and the Very Rev. Bishop Valtorta.

The following is the prize list:

Kindergarten Class.

1st Class Prize, Etsu Hachiuma.
2nd Class Prize, Sylvia Mak.
3rd Class Prize, Marguerite Baker.

General progress: Mabel Li, Dorothy Grimmitt, Mary Suffiad, Daphne Lo, Yvonne Ho, Violet Mak and June White.

Class VIII.

General progress: Katheleen Ho, Marie Leonard, Annie Suffiad, Salima Marker, Mary Mok, Marie Souza, Kitty Hassan, Annie Young, Zanina Hamet and Rosemary Hassan.

Good conduct and application: Helen Ho, Dolly Tsoi, Pauline Trink, Nazea Nazarin and Juliet Hassan.

General application: Daisy Chue.

Good conduct, regular attendance and catechism: Florence Grimmitt.

Class VII.

General progress: Murgeena Arculli, Stella Sprinkle, Lily Sadick and Jean Steward.

Application and needlework: Lily Chan.

Application, catechism, French and music: Laura Li and Annie Nissen.

Good conduct, regular attendance and catechism: Philomena Lau.

Good conduct and drawing: Nariya Nazarin.

The Sister Anna Memorial Prize offered by the friends of the late Sister Anna: Eugenie Tchan.

Preparatory Class for Chinese.

Progress in English: Dora Tsoi, Bessie Chan, Rabira Samy, Mary Ha, Eva Li, Ethel Wong, Molly Kong, Flora Tsoi, Hesta Tsoi, Pansy Mak, Ruby, Ma, Gertie Chan, Phyllis Chan and Nancy Ng.

3rd Class Prize: Jenny Lal.
2nd Class Prize: Minnie Chan.
1st Class Prize, The Ho Komtong Silver Cup: Theresa Li.

Class VI.

Rewards for regular attendance: Helen Grimmitt, Violet Bradbury, Mary Tsoi, Alice Ismail, Dora Ellis and Helen Erwin.

Application, religious knowledge and French: Josephine Choa.

Religious knowledge, needlework and French: Marguerite Kong.

General progress: Amy Suen, Grace Leung, Mary Young, Constance Wong, Lily Suffiad, Grace Tsoi and Edna Sprinkle.

3rd Class Prize: Doris Yuen.
2nd Class Prize Mary Asako.
1st Class Prize and good conduct: Merit Ching.

Class V.

General progress: Halima Arculli, Kathleen Glover, Shirley Silva and Louise Choa.

Good conduct, needlework and drawing: Eva Laing.

Progress and drawing: Alice Chue.

English and French: Isabel McAinsh.

General progress and religious knowledge: Julia Lee.

Progress and drawing: Ethel Tam.

English and drawing: Edna Carroll.

English, French and music: Gladys Grimmitt.

4th Class Prize, French and music: Laureen Li.

3rd Class Prize, French and catechism: Molly Choa.

2nd Class Prize, French, music and religious knowledge: Katie Hirschberg.

1st Class Prize, French and religious knowledge: Daisy Choa.

Class IV.

Rewards for progress: Ruth Sum, Julia Mok and Rose Moosden.

French: Helen Cooper.

Application and general progress: Iris Trith, Nelly Yuen, Joyce Walker, Ruby Lee and Annie Lee.

3rd Class Prize and needlework: Alice Wai.

2nd Class Prize and good conduct: Mary Lee.

1st Class Prize, religious knowledge and French: Carmen Barretto.

Class III.

Rewards for progress: Kitty Kam, Dolly Mok, Nelly Kwan, Rosie Mok, and Nelly Mok.

French: Lily Ellis.

(Continued on Next Column).

LECTURE BY CONSUL.

MR. TREDWELL'S EXPERIENCES IN TURKESTAN.

ESCAPE FROM THE "REDS."

Mr. R. C. Tredwell, American Consul-General in Hong Kong, spoke at the Helena May Institute yesterday evening on his experiences in Russian Turkestan after the war when he was there in a diplomatic capacity.

Mr. Tredwell prefaced his lecture with a general description of Russia under the Bolshevist regime and of some of the geographical features of Russia and Turkestan, lantern slides being utilised.

Mr. Tredwell spoke of the suspiciousness of the Bolshevist authorities in Turkestan in the summer of 1918 and of how his (the lecturer's) movements, also those of a British military officer, Major Bailey, who had recently arrived, were shadowed. Eventually they were arrested by the Extraordinary Commission to Combat Speculation and Counter Revolution but were released after five hours' confinement.

The lecturer detailed how he was confined to his two rooms under a guard for five months subsequent to the publication of an order that all the subjects and citizens of the Allied nations who were of military age were to be held as hostages. During the period of his detention thrilling battles took place in the street following an attempted coup d'etat by the railway workmen and Left Social Revolutionists.

Major Bailey's Escape.

Interesting details of the exciting escape from Turkestan of Major Bailey were given by the lecturer who detailed how this officer had disguised himself as an Austrian prisoner of war and later had actually tricked the Bolshevists themselves to further his ends, having been "employed" by them to ascertain particulars of a suspected organisation of an army by British officers in Bokhara. Major Bailey eventually escaped after a skirmish with a Bolshevik patrol.

The lecturer detailed how he himself was released on the arrival of the Bolshevik Ambassador to Persia and how he travelled nearly three thousand miles across Russia in a broken-down second class railway carriage. It took them three weeks to make the journey from Tashkent to Moscow, considerable difficulty being encountered in crossing rivers where bridges had been blown up and rails placed across the ice. In one spot their train was the last to pass as the ice was rapidly melting and shortly afterwards broke up.

The lecturer, in conclusion, detailed how, together with a companion who talked Russian fluently, he travelled from Tashkent to Petrograd in the costume of a proletariat, every opportunity being taken at small villages and larger towns to mingle freely with the people and to learn their views.

General progress: Nora Zimmern.

English and religious knowledge: Gladys Johnson.

Drawing, French and music: Loreto Zapanta.

3rd Class Prize, Needlework, French and music: Nora Brown.

Special Test Prize, Music, French and drawing: Marina Barretto.

1st Class Prize, the Lugard Scholarship and French: Elisabeth Johnson.

Good Conduct, regular attendance and the Bishop's prize for religious knowledge: Pauline Choa.

Class II.

Rewards for class progress: Ivy Mok, Kathleen Tsoi, Hamira Ismail, Mary Lamb, Daisy Wong and Mary Young.

French: Alexis Cooper.

English and French: Irene Fullbrook and Kathleen Mackay.

Religious knowledge, French and music: Dorothy Hirschberg.

Good Conduct and the Junior Certificate: Stella Hong.

English and the Junior Certificate with distinction in biblical knowledge: Lily Chue.

French and the Junior Certificate with distinction in biblical knowledge: Rose Pau.

1st Class Prize and the Junior Certificate with distinction in French, Prize awarded by the French Consul, Monsieur De la Prade: Anna Brondeau.

Class I.

Domestic science, French and Music: Rosie Li.

French, English, Music and the Bishop's Prize for biblical knowledge: Lily Shearer.

Good Conduct, English and Drawing: Mary O'Hoy.

Drawing and the Senior University Certificate: Sylvia Heyshing.

The Senior Certificate with distinction in needlework: Bessie Cheng and Aley Cheng.

Senior Certificate with distinction in English: Alma O'Hoy.

French and the Senior Certificate with distinction in English: Ruth Normani.

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(b) Northern Boundary.—The Foreshore.

(c) Eastern Boundary.—A line drawn 210 from Blackhead's Point.

(d) Southern Boundary. — A line drawn parallel and 120 yards South of the Northern boundary of the Man-o'-war anchorage.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships and auxiliaries were in harbour this morning: North Wall, Petersfield and Iroquois; South Wall, Onslaught; East Wall, Tern, Peterel, Gannet and L4 and L27; North Arm, Cornflower, Hollyhock, Tarantula, Ambrose and Subs; In Dock, St. Broock, Moorlake and L7 and L8; Kowloon Dock, Carlisle; Buoy 1, Argus; Buoy 3, Herald; Buoy 6, Vindictive; Buoy 7, Titania and Subs; Buoy 8, Foxglove; Buoy 13, Bruce; Buoy 18, Ruthenia; Buoy 19, Serapis; Buoy 20, Stormcloud and Sepoy; Buoy 22, Thracian; Buoy 23, Sterling and Somme; Buoy 24, Faulknor and Cicala; Buoy 25, Kharki; Oil Fuel Jetty, L2; Kowloon Anchorage, Fortol, Belgol and Francol; Foreign Men-o'-war, U.S.S. Ashville, U.S.S. Pampange; Portuguese, Pero de Alenquer and Patria; Italian, Sebastiano Cuboto; Japanese, Ohi, Tanakaze, Aoi and Kiku.

The following appointments were made by the Admiralty on Jan. 30.—Engr.-Commr. H. S. Warren, to "Tamar" (Jan. 30); Commrs. (E.).—E. H., Vincent, to "Bruce" (Feb. 6); O. W. Phillips, to "Titania" (Feb. 17); and B. J. Littledale, D.S.C., to "Bee" (on relief).

HEAVY SEAS.

WIND AND TIDE AFFECT STEAMERS.

HARBOUR DISTURBANCE.

Due, it is thought, to the heavy wind combined with a fairly high there was considerable disturbance of the sea within the harbour yesterday afternoon, particularly about 6.15 p.m. when the "Sui An," from Macao, was discharging passengers. Due to the heavy movement, the stern hawser of the "Sui An" gave way and, following slight collisions with the wharf, one of the wooden supports was dislodged.

At the Canton Steamboat Company's wharf, the "Taishan" and "Kinshan" were tossed about, the hawser at the stern being snapped. The bow hawsers, fortunately held and the two vessels did not break adrift.

Other steamboats were affected in minor degree by the disturbance.

DIED FROM EPILEPSY.

The Master of the s.s. "Sarpedon" (Messrs. B. & S.) on arrival to this Colony states to the Harbour Master that while on a voyage from Singapore, an Asiatic passenger died from epilepsy.

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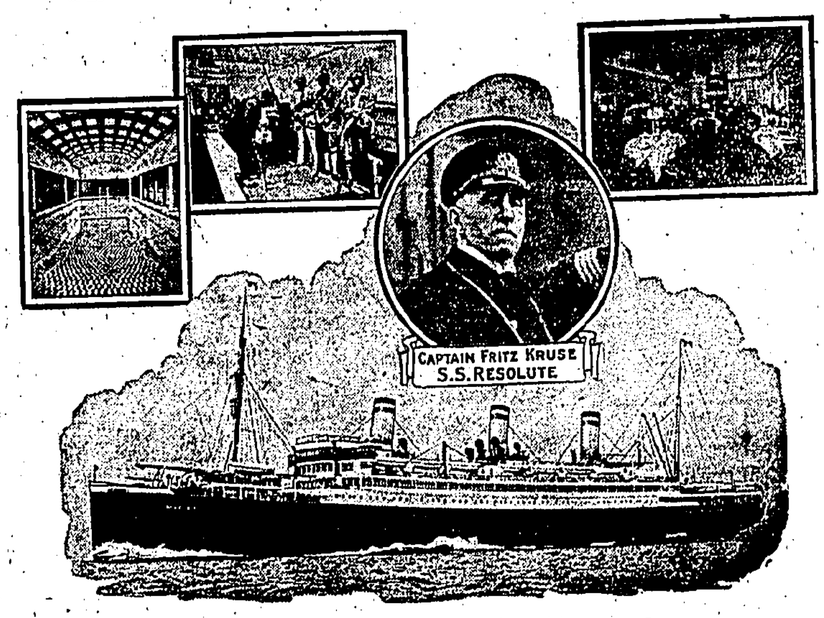

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AMAZON MARU .....Sunday, 11th March.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.
HAWAII MARU .....Saturday, 24th March.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore and Colombo.
SHUNKO MARU (Calls at Karachi) Tuesday, 3rd April.
BORNEO MARU (Calls at Penang) Thursday, 19th April.
INDUS MARU (Calls at Penang) ...Tuesday, 20th March.
DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.
CANADA MARU .....Saturday, 31st March.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
TACOMA MARU .....Sunday, 25th March.
SEATTLE MARU .....Wednesday, 25th April.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER Via Japan Ports.
PARIS MARU (From Shanghai) ...Tuesday, 20th March.
HAIPHONG—Via HOIHOW & PAKHOI.
MENADO MARU .....Tuesday, 13th Mar. 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.
JAPAN PORTS
AMUR MARU .....Saturday, 17th March.
SUMATRA MARU .....Saturday, 17th March.
SOURABAYA MARU .....Wednesday, 28th March.
KEELUNG Via SWATOW & AMOY.
HOZAN MARU .....Sunday, 11th March, 11 a.m.
TAIKWA MARU .....Wed., 14th Mar. 10 a.m.
KAIJO MARU .....Sunday, 18th Mar. 11 a.m.
TAKAO Via SWATOW & AMOY.
DELI MARU .....Thursday, 8th March 10 a.m.
TAKAO & KEELUNG
SOURABAYA MARU .....Wednesday, 28th March.

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MARINE COURT.

At the Marine Court this morning Wong Tai and Wong So, masters of cargo boats No. 1134V and 2447V respectively, were charged by A.P.S. Al Moreton before Commdr. J. B. Newill, D.S.O., R.N., Marine Magistrate with unlawfully anchoring with 600 tins and 849 tins of kerosine respectively off Shamshuipo Ferry wharf on the 2nd instant instead of in the dangerous goods anchorage. Both the accused admitted the charges and were fined $10 each with the alternative of 10 days' hard labour.

H.M.S. "CORNFLOWER" ARRIVES.

The H.M.S. "Hollyhock" broke paying off pennant at 8 a.m. yesterday morning, as the vessel that is to relieve her, the H.M.S. "Cornflower," arrived in this Colony on Sunday last. It is also understood that the H.M.S. "Cornflower" is carrying a relief crew for the H.M.S. "Iroquois."

On Jan. 31 Engineer-Commander Leonard Thackara, late of the cruiser "Despatch" on the China Station, took over charge of the machinery of H.M.S. "Calcutta."

H.M.S. "CUMBERLAND."

H.M.S. "Vindictive" arrived in Hong Kong on Tuesday from Shanghai, and it is understood will be leaving for Home as soon as the H.M.S. "Cumberland" arrives in this Colony to relieve her. The H.M.S. "Cumberland" is expected to arrive in Hong Kong on Monday at the earliest.

MOVEMENT OF STEAMERS.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" from Hong Kong on Feb. 15 arrived at Vancouver on March 4.

The B. I. s.s. "Shirala" left Singapore for this port on March 1 p.m., and is due here to-day at 6 p.m.

The B.I. s.s. "Tilawa" left Amoy for this port yesterday p.m., and is due here to-day p.m.

The D. & Co. s.s. "Tugela" sailed from New York on January 16, and is due here on March 9.

The M.V. s.s. "Sumatra" (Swedish East Asiatic Co., Ltd.), left Hamburg on January 27, and is due here on or about March 10.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong via Japan ports and Shanghai on February 25, and is due here on March 15.

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S. S.	Tons	From Hongkong About	Destination
†ALIPORE	5,273	6th Mar. 4 p.m.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
*KHIVA	9,135	10th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KASHMIR	8,985	17th Mar.	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull
KARMALA	9,128	24th Mar.	Marseilles & London
†MIRZAPORE	6,715	27th Mar.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay
MANTUA	10,946	31st Mar.	Marseilles & London
*KALYAN	9,144	7th Apl.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MONGOLIA	16,504	14th Apr.	Marseilles & London
†NAGPORE	5,283	21st Apr.	Marseilles & London.
MOREA	10,953	28th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
KASHGAR	9,005	12th May	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
†JEYPORE	5,318	19th May	Marseilles & London
MALWA	10,986	26th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
DELTA	8,097	9th June	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
NOVARA	6,989	16th June	Marseilles & London.
RANPURA	16,601	23rd June	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KHYBER	9,114	7th July	Marseilles, London, Antwerp & Hull.
NANKIN	7,058	14th July	Marseilles & London.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	21st July	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
KASHMIR	8,985	4th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.

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BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS.

TILAWA	10,000	8th Mar. 8 a.m.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	20th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
TAKLIWA	7,936	23rd Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
SHIRALA	7,841	30th Mar.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

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ST. ALBANS	4,500	30th Mar.	Manila, Port Holland, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
ARAFURA	6,000	4th May	
†TANDA	6,956	1st June	

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

ST. ALBANS	4,500	7th Mar. Daylight	Moji, Kobe, & Yokohama.
SHIRALA	7,841	9th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*NAGPORE	5,283	14th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
MANTUA	10,946	16th Mar.	Shanghai.
*LAHORE	5,252	19th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
SANTHIA	7,754	21st Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
TAKADA	6,949	28th Mar.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
MOREA	10,953	30th Mar.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ARAFURA	6,006	3rd Apr.	Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Yokohama.
TALAMBA	8,018	11th Apr.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
*JEYPORE	5,318	13th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
KASHGAR	9,005	18th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TILAWA	10,006	21st Apr.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
MALWA	10,986	27th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
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S.S. "LYCAON"	Via Suez Canal	9th Mar.
S.S. "CITY OF DURHAM"	Via Suez Canal	20th Mar.
S.S. "RHESUS"	Via Suez Canal	6th Apr.
S.S. "CITY OF DUNKIRK"	Via Suez Canal	20th Apr.
S.S. "CITY OF CARLISLE"	Via Suez Canal	18th May.

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PASSENGER LISTS.

ARRIVALS.

First-class Hong Kong passengers on the "President Jefferson" from America via Japan Shanghai on March 4 were:—

Mr. W. W. Baer, Mr. & Mrs. Cheung Hoe-ting, Mr. & Mrs. Chan Man-sin, Mrs. C. Drevet, Mr. S. W. Fung, Mr. C. C. Gan, Mr. T. Y. Hsich, Mr. Ho Shao-kang, Mr. W. Hughes, Mr. & Mrs. S. T., Mstr. B. Miss A. Kong, Mr. S. G. Kwik, Mr. S. S. Kwa, Sir E. Kadoorie, Mr. L. Kadoorie, Mr. L. Kirschoff, Mr. T. S. Loe, Mr. S. P. Lau, Mr. Lee Da-dong, Mr. C. K. Liang, Mr. S. V. Mills, Mr. H. Mah, Mr. H. T. Mow, Mr. J. Marcus, Miss O. Matsuda, Miss L. N. Nojegoff, Mrs. H. Noissen, Miss E. Pye, Mr. W. G. Pirie, Mr. W. L. Pattenden, Mr. K. H. Pang, Mr. & Mrs. J. F. Rhame, Mr. Z. Sun, Mrs. M. L. Sargent, Mr. Z. Sachs, Mr. & Mrs. I. Sassoon, Mr. Z. H. Sun, Mr. G. E. Schweitzer, Mr. S. T. Tong, Mr. P. C. Tang, Mr. K. W. Woo, Mr. Wm. H. Woodward, Mrs. Warren, Mr. S. W. Yih, Mr. & Mrs. T. K. Yip, Mr. S. M. Yuen, Mr. Y. K. Yang.

First-class Hong Kong passengers arrived at the "President McKinely" from Manila on March 5 were:—

Mr. A. Hogan, Mrs. Hogan, Capt. M. Sharp, Mr. N. Spiva.

Passengers arrived at Hong Kong on the Blue Funnel "Sarpedon" from the United Kingdom via ports on March 5 were:—

Mrs. M. M. & Mstr. E. Ansett, Miss E. M. Brisoce, Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Damby, Mr. O. E. Davies, Mr. & Mrs. J. Hair, Miss J. C. Lawford, Miss J. Mackie, Mr. & Mrs. J. S. McIntosh, Mrs. B. J. McIntosh, Mr. & Mrs. R. K. Rodger, Major R. Todd, Mr. & Mrs. M. H. Turner, Mr. J. Williamson, Mrs. C. N. Wyborn, Mr. D. S. Wylie, Miss A. J. W. Allan, Mrs. M. S. Barnes, Mr. S. D. Begg, Mrs. A. M. Begg, Miss M. K. Begg, Miss A. E. Begg, Mr. S. E. M. Bransom, Mr. M. R. Brown, Mrs. S. M. & Mstr. R. H. Byrne, Mr. E. O. Cumming, Mrs. L. M. Cumming, Miss P. A. Cumming, Mr. & Mrs. R. & Miss J. C. Denniston, Mrs. A. F. & Mstr. A. A. Dixon, Mr. R. G. Edkins, Mr. S. H. Edkins, Mr. K. Foot, Miss K. Gardiner, Mr. E. J. Hartley, Miss C. N. Hartley, Mr. & Mrs. E. R. Harmer, Mr. R. T. Innes, Mr. R. A. Jones, Mr. T. F. Laughland, Mr. & Mrs. J. McH. Leckie, Mr. J. R. Masson, Mr. R. Millar, Mr. & Mrs. G. K. Oliver, Miss P. M. Oliver, Mrs. D. M. Shoppard, Mr. J. J. Sheridan, Mrs. P. M. & Miss M. Stewart, Mr. J. T. Towns, Mr. N. A. Tonckens, Mr. G. R. Wallack, Mr. J. E. Van Eyen, Mr. A. B. Wilkinson.

SUNKEN JUNK.

The s.s. "Hung Sang" on arrival to the Colony reports to the Harbour Office, that while on a voyage from Shanghai, a sunken junk was seen off Lungsha, also the Master of the s.s. "Seistain" arriving from Singapore, reports to the effect that one Asiatic deck passenger died from beri-beri, on Feb. 1, 1928.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE "ELLERMAN" FAR EAST LINE.

From Bremen, Hamburg, Rotterdam, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Marseilles, Colombo and Straits.

THE Steamship "CITY OF ADELAIDE" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby notified that their goods are being landed and placed at their risks into the hazardous and extra-hazardous Godowns of the Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

Consignees also are notified that before Bill of Lading will be signed, their signature to General Average Bond is required and Underwriters guarantee obtained to pay contribution required.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Ship's tackle and/or Godowns and all Goods remaining undelivered after Monday, 12th March, 1928, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned within 10 days of steamer's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesdays and Fridays at 10 a.m. within the Free Storage period.

No Insurance whatever will be effected.

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Hongkong, March 5, 1928.

CONSIGNEES.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

CONSIGNEE NOTICE.

THE Steamship "YALOU" Bringing Cargo from Antwerp, Dunkirk, Rotterdam, London, &c., also Cargo from Cognac and Havre ex s.s. "Pei-Ho."

CONSIGNEES are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored into the Godowns of the HONG KONG KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD., KOWLOON, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before MONDAY, the 12th March, 1928, or they will not be recognised.

DAMAGED PACKAGES will be examined by the Company's Surveyor, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on FRIDAY, the 9th March, 1928.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

L. LESDOS, Agent.

Hong Kong, 3rd March, 1928.

SERVICES CONTRACTUELS DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

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All claims must be sent in to me on or before SATURDAY, the 10th March, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

DAMAGED PACKAGES will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs:—Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10 a.m. on WEDNESDAY, the 7th March, 1928.

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L. LESDOS, Agent.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1928.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

AMERICAN & ORIENTAL LINE.

From NEW YORK.

THE Motor Vessel "BIRCHBANK" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 8th March, 1928, will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before 15th March, 1928, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 8th March, 1928, at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

THE BANK LINE, LTD., General Agents.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1928.

THE EAST ASIATIC CO., LTD. COPENHAGEN.

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No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after the 9th March, 1928, 4 p.m., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson & Ashe on the 8th March, 1928, at 10 a.m.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned before the 12th March, 1928, or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

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Hong Kong, 2nd March, 1928.

CONSIGNEES.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 12th instant will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 26th inst., or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 10th inst. at 10 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the vessel must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 16th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 6th prox. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

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Pres. Wilson ..May 20th 6 a.m.

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Pres. Grant ....Mar. 13th 6 p.m.
Pres. Lincoln ..Mar. 19th 6 p.m.
Pres. Adams ..Mar. 25th 8 a.m.
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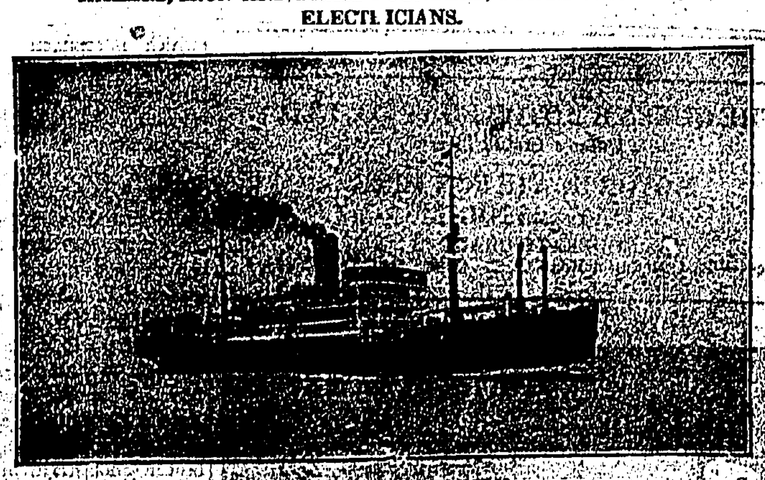

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COLLEGE—AND THE MAN.

In to-day's issue we publish a full account of the ceremonial and official opening of the new King's College by H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G. Recent events in China have done much to place educational matters in the background, but the cultural development and intellectual training of the peoples of our Colonial possessions are subjects of the utmost importance. On their fulfilment depends to a very great extent the stability of our Empire. Only by education along the correct lines can the various diverse peoples of the British Commonwealth come to a complete understanding and appreciation of the great heritage of freedom and good government which is common to us all, and whose benefits and protection are extended equally to high and low, rich and poor, irrespective of colour or creed.

Hong Kong has much to be proud of, in spite of what may be said by those who find it difficult to praise and easy to detract; destructive criticism is ever easier than constructive suggestion. Certainly to the lasting credit of our Colony and her Government it must be said that we have by far the finest school in Asia in King's College, an institution which embodies all that is best in scholastic architecture, and which is equal in every respect to the best schools of its kind anywhere in the world.

The new building is situated in Bonham-road, at the corner of Eastern-street, thus being easily accessible by either tram or 'bus. The neighbourhood has the advantage of being neither crowded nor noisy, and the College is not, and never can be, closely hemmed in by buildings. The level is well above the heat and dirt of Queen's-road West and experience has already shown that the building is cool in Summer. The close proximity of the University is of great value, since student teachers are thus enabled to utilise King's College as a training centre without going a long journey, and the University can take advantage of the excellent accommodation the school offers for examination purposes. The College has been twice used as a centre for the Junior Local Examinations.

The school is remarkably complete in every detail containing some thirty class rooms, several common rooms, an Art Room, a Gymnasium, a Science School comprising two laboratories and two small rooms, a Library and Museum, a Manual work-room, a Swimming bath and changing rooms, and excellent playground space, both open and covered. The full advantages and excellence of the building can only be appreciated after a visit, and visitors are assured of a hearty welcome and a complete tour of inspection. It is as yet too soon to speak of results: the recent military occupation has set the school back at least two years in development. But the distinctions—one of them unique—obtained in the recent Local examinations already shew the wisdom of running a full-course college without a commercial side.

So much for the College. But, behind every great institution of this nature one finds — a man. The masons and carpenters must take credit for the bare walls, but whence comes the inspiration and devotion necessary to build up the human element? Every educated Englishman is moved by the name of Arnold of Rugby as the man who remade the public school system. Hong Kong too has had her great Headmasters whose names have become a tradition with the Chinese: they, however, may have consolidated what was good and ruled wisely, but they lacked creative genius and constructive ability. King's College is the child of the old Saiyingpun School, and the whole credit and praise for its existence must be paid to Mr. A. Morris. The name of Morris of Saiyingpun is already well known and well-loved but future generations will have cause to honour and revere the name of Morris of King's. The College has been his life-work—every stone is a monument to his ability and hard work. Every branch of school life bears the imprint of a personality which has endeared itself to all those who have come to know the Headmaster well and appreciate his true nobility of character and sterling qualities. He started the Scout Troop and the Ambulance Division, both of which are in flourishing condition: but it is the personal touch which counts—he knows well every boy and every teacher who has worked under him, and is the best guide and friend a man or woman could have.

Throughout his long years of hard work and earnest endeavour, his wife has been at his side in every way. Mrs. Morris was the first lady in the Education Department and has now completed twenty-two years of excellent work. Hers is a great responsibility for she lays the foundation with the beginners' classes upon which every teacher in the School must build. She has had a career without personal glory, which she has never sought, but the high example of private and public devotion she sets, must have been a constant source of inspiration to many, and above all to her husband who has every cause to be, and indeed is, very proud of the gracious and charming lady who shares his life and work.

The wish that will be uppermost in all our hearts and minds to-day should be—"Success to King's College, and long life and happiness to Mr. and Mrs. Morris." May their successors be worthy of them.

CORRESPONDENCE.

MISS CAPELL'S DISPLAYS.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail."]

Dear Sir,—I am writing to inform you that the gross receipts of my three Dancing Displays given at the Queen's Theatre and Star Theatre on 22nd, 27th and 29th ultimo, amounted to $2,000 and I am in the meantime forwarding to Viscount Knutsford of the London Hospital a draft for £40. I am also making donations to some local Charities.

I take this opportunity of thanking you and your staff for the very nice write-ups of my Displays and which I much appreciate.

Some of my Pupils very kindly presented me with a beautiful silk embroidered kimono and if you will be so kind as to return my thanks to them through your news column I shall be much obliged.

Yours etc.,
VIOLET CAPELL.

Hong Kong, March 5.

KOWLOON WEDDING.

SUB-INSP. CARGILL & MISS I. K. WALLACE.

UNION CHURCH CEREMONY.

Union Church, Kowloon, was the scene of a pretty wedding yesterday, the parties being Sub-Inspector James Cargill, of the Hong Kong Police Force, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cargill, of Letham, Forfar, Scotland; and Miss Isobel Keith Wallace, daughter of Mr. James Wallace, Lochgelly, Fifeshire, Scotland.

The Rev. J. Horace Johnston officiated and Mr. Brearly was at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by her uncle, Mr. R. A. Ramsay, of Kowloon Dock, was charmingly attired in a white satin dress with over dress of georgette and silver lace, with tulle embroidered veil and wreath of orange blossom and white heather. Her bouquet was of pink and white roses and maindenhair fern with pink tulle streamers.

Miss N. Middleton, the bridesmaid, wore a pretty dress of pink georgette and silver tissue with beige satin hat and trimmings to match. Her bouquet was of pink and white larkspur with mauve tulle streamers.

The Matron of Honour, Mrs. R. A. Ramsay (aunt of the bride) was attired in brown satin with trimmings of nigger brown lace and nigger brown hat to match.

The best man was Mr. O'Connor.

A reception was later held at Kingsclere Hotel, Kowloon.

The bride's travelling dress was of champagne crepe de chine silk with over dress of white ninon and crinoline hat and charmeuse satin coat.

MEMORY OF BURNS.

BURNS CLUB DINNER IN LONDON.

POET EULOGISED.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald was "amang his ain folk," when, wearing a sprig of heather in the buttonhole of his dress coat, and accompanied by his daughter Isabel he attended the annual birthday festival dinner of the Burns Club of London at the Hotel Metropole. Sir Robert Blair presided over a company numbering more than 400. Proposing the toast "The Immortal Memory of Robert Burns," Mr. MacDonald said:—

This is not the time to consider all the motes there may be in Burns's eyes. Frankly and honestly we are here as devotees, we are here as worshippers.

Edinburgh society closed its doors upon him, and refused to issue its invitations to him. Yes, a living genius is a much more difficult thing for living man to handle than a dead one is for the gods to welcome. Therefore Burns occupies his place among the immortals. We are aware of no alabaster about Burns. When we think of Burns we do not think of a monument on the embankment. We think of the Nasmyth portrait that looks at us with the eyes of a living man and speaks to us with the voice of a living man. Burns was too purely and too tenderly human, too sturdily manly ever to become remote from the living generation of Scotsmen. Burns sang in his everyday clothes. When he sang and wrote in his Sunday suit he became so self-conscious that he failed. They talk of his technique. He had no technique. He studied no technique. His song floated from its own fresh springs, found its way into channels and faiths that had been created by his meek forebears and the language he used—adequate, ample, palpitating, musical with life, is the ordinary vernacular in which you and I were brought up. Burns will be a living inspiration and a living fellowship.

Dr. Joseph Hunter, who responded for "the guests," recalled how he took Mr. Bernard Shaw along the streets of Dumfries. "I said to him: 'Would you like to see the house in which Burns died?' and he said: 'No, any house would kill a poet.' Then I said: 'Would you not like to see his mausoleum,' and he said: 'His true memorial is his work.' No truer words were ever spoken."

"The Immortal Memory."

The flood of Burns oratory on the poet's birthday does not abate. His memory may be honoured with less of heedless conviviality as the years go by, but not with less enthusiasm or sincerity, continues the "Manchester Guardian," commenting editorially. The quality of "immortal memory" speeches is on the upgrade. It is not enough in these days to find tags in the poems for another glass and another chorus. It is not the Burns who could keep the company at Poosie Nansie's from their bed half the night by the witchery of his talk, nor the peasant who could drink the Edinburgh gentry under the table of an evening with as good a grace as he honoured their ladies' drawing-rooms of an afternoon that gets the tribute of the humane scholar to-day. Nor is it Burns the ready symbol of a somewhat aggressive Scottish patriotism which he would have been the first to deplore; the day of the "Here's-tae-us, wha's-like-us." mode is mercifully vanished before the realisation that the Burns whom Wordsworth loved needs no national bush. It is not even, one thinks, that the lyrics have their secure place in the world's poetry for all time. It is rather to the liberal, freedom-loving spirit of the man that the world turns to more and more as democracy is awakened to fuller knowledge of the forces arrayed against it. The Burns honoured is the man whose personal courage and independence are unimpeachable, whose hatred of hypocrisy, privilege, and snobbery shine like a pure flame, whose sensitiveness to the suffering of the lower creation is shared more and more by the ages that have followed him, and who, above all, could put his faith in the ultimate triumph of the brotherhood of the race in terms simpler, stronger, and more moving than any before him.

Southampton Reserves, with 29 points from 21 games, hold premier position in the London Combination, Chelsea being runners-up, with 27 points from 19 games.

L. Payne, the young Hallamshire harrier, who won the international crosscountry championship last year, is suffering from a serious breakdown and will not compete in the event this season.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

Mert: Peggie is certainly fat, isn't she?

Gwen: Yes; when the poor thing hung up her stocking Santa carried it off with him and left his pack in place of it.

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Mrs. Lovey (former phone operator): Oh, dearest, isn't it wonderful to have triplets.

Mr. Lovey (worried): Darn it, I'm afraid you've given me the wrong number again.

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Doctor: "Don't worry. I've had exactly the same complaint."

Patient: "Yes, but you didn't have the same doctor."

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Plumber, to mate who is singing: "Now then, Caruso, stop it! Remember, you're mendin' a bath, not havin' one!"

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It is said that on Sundays jazz musicians play classical music for their own enjoyment. As far as we are concerned they play jazz music on weekdays for the same reason.

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Teacher: "Tommy, what is one-half of one-tenth?"

Small Boy: "I don't know exactly, teacher, but it can't be much."

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The Maiden (coyly): "Is it dangerous to drive with one hand?"

The Man: "Rather. More than one fellow I know has run into a church doing it."

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Fond Father: "If you are a good boy, I'm going to get you a nice cake with five candles on it for your birthday—one candle for each year."

Five-Year-Old: "I'd rather have five cakes with one candle, daddie."

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Mary had a little lamb. Nowadays she has a smaller portion still, and no potatoes, owing to the fear of getting fat.

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A writer states that no song has yet been composed in praise of girl's ankles. But nobody looks at ankles now that knees are so fashionable.

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A German manufacturer claims to have perfected a process which renders women's clothing immune from moths. As it is, moths are already on a starvation diet as far as women's clothing is concerned.

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First Martian: "Good Heavens! What is the meaning of this? The Earth has become pock-marked with craters."

Second Martian: "Those aren't craters—they are new greyhound-racing tracks."

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It is said to be the fashion for women to be scornful. We understand that by the latest triumph of surgery it is possible to give a lip a permanent curl.

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A teacher was giving his class a lecture on charity.

"Willie," he said, "if I saw a boy beating a donkey, and stopped him from doing so, what virtue should I be showing?"

Willie (promptly): "Brotherly love!"

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The village butcher—who happened to be a good billiards player—was having a round of golf with the curate. He used strong language every time he missed the ball.

"Really, sir" said the curate, "I think you might respect the Cloth."

"So I do," said the short-tempered butcher, "but what's that got to do with it? We're not playing billiards."

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Expectant Bridegroom: My room-mate wants to elope with us. Is it all right?

Expectant Bride: Sure; the more the marrieder.

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"What does a fellow mean when he says that he can manage his wife?"

"He means that he can make her do anything that she wants to do."

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"Why does a stork stand on one foot?"

"Give it up. Why does he?"

"If he lifted the other foot, he'd fall down."

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"Poppa, vot is a cynic?"

"A cynic, my son, is vot your momma vashes dishes in."

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"Phot's good t' get rid av th' rats, Mrs. Rooney?"

"Well, bromide is good, but lettin' th' ould licker alone is betther, Mrs. Casey."

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A young man, after eight years' absence alighted at the home station, and, despite his expectations, there was no one there to meet him, no one! He then caught sight of the station master, a friend since boyhood. To him at least he would be welcome, and he was about to extend a hearty greeting when the other spoke first. "Hello, George!" he said, "goin' away?"

"I AM THROUGH!"

Jack Dempsey Not to Fight.

ALLEGED BAD EYESIGHT.

Offers To Meet Tunney And Paolino.

New York, Yesterday.

Jack Dempsey, who is now at Tia Juana in Mexico, has intimated that he will not fight Gene Tunney again.

Discussing the proposed match he said:—"I am through."—Reuter's American Service.

ANOTHER OFFER.

Millionaire Wants Dempsey to Meet Paolino.

Los Angeles, Feb. 27.

Gaston Bastanchury, a millionaire Basque citrus raiser and oil man who is acting as host to Paolino Uzcudun, to-day revealed what he had offered ex-champion Jack Dempsey "more than" half a million dollars if he would fight Paolino, providing the fight be held upon Bastanchury's 3,000-acre ranch and also providing that the Battling Woodchopper is successful in licking George Godfrey in their encounter here to-morrow night.

Defective Vision.

Dempsey, who has been travelling around and testing his allegedly defective vision in picking the ponies at Tia Juana and other sporting resorts, has not yet been located in order to ascertain his plans.

It is understood that Bastanchury has wagered a small fortune on the Paolino-Godfrey fight, backing his fellow-Basque to win.

Bastanchury intends, if his plan goes through, to build an arena seating 135,000 spectators. He said to-day that he believes such a battle would draw a gate of more than a million dollars.

RIFLE MATCH.

1ST QUEEN'S LOSE IN THE LEAGUE.

NAVAL VICTORIES.

Teams from H.M.S. "Tamar," H.M.S. "Carlisle" and the 1st Batt. Queen's Regiment took part in a rifle match at Stonecutters range last week. The soldiers lost to both Naval teams in Hong Kong Rifle League fixtures. The match between the sailors was a "friendly." Scores:—

H.M.S. "Tamar."

	200	500	600	Total
Cpl. Burnett ...	31	31	29	91
Mne. Counter ..	26	17	30	73
C.P.O. Gully ...	33	34	34	101
P.O. Greening .	30	29	31	90
Sgt. Hillaby ...	28	29	27	84
Sgt. Bishop	24	24	29	77
A.B. Rigby	24	29	34	87
Sgt. Riddler ...	20	28	29	77
Total	216	221	243	680
Plus 4% for open sights				19
Grand total				699

H.M.S. "Carlisle."

	200	500	600	Total
Mr. Chandler ..	32	34	33	99
C.E.R.A. Sellars	26	31	34	91
P.O. King	23	29	34	82
A.B. Haines	23	27	16	66
Sgt. Woodward .	29	24	26	79
Sto. Forward ..	24	29	28	81
Mne. Masters ..	26	29	21	76
Mne. Mitchell ..	28	29	27	84
Total	211	232	215	658
Plus 4% for open sights				18
Grand total				676

1st Batt. Queen's Regt.

	200	500	600	Total
Lt. Sullivan ...	17	24	25	66
S.M. Hartridge .	25	29	18	72
S.M. Marchant .	24	30	26	80
Cr. Sgt. Handscombe	28	26	29	83
Sgt. Lowes	27	25	25	77
Pte. Leahy	22	26	23	71
Pte. Keen	29	29	32	90
Pte. Hutchings .	29	25	30	84
Total	201	214	208	623
Plus 4% for open sights				25
Grand total				648

SCHOOLS CRICKET.

The following have been chosen to play for the Combined Schools Cricket XI against Mr. G. R. Sayer's XI this Sunday on the Civil Service C.C. ground, Happy Valley, commencing at 12 noon:—J. L. Youngsaye (captain); A. R. Suffiad, A. K. Ismail, W. P. Tsui, A. Hunt, and A. M. Rumjahn of Queen's College; G. Lee, D. J. N. Anderson, R. Lee, F. R. Zimmern and W. H. Kwan of Diocesan Boys' School. Reserves: F. K. Lee (D.B.S.) and A. Guterres (St. Joseph's College).

Lad Abella, fly-weight champion of Italy, has been matched over 15 rounds with Terence Morgan (Newport), a promising Welsh lad.

EXTRA MEETINGS.

CHANGE IN JOCKEY CLUB DATES.

THE SAME NUMBER.

Changes in the dates selected by the Hong Kong Jockey Club for extra race meetings this season have been made but there will be the same number of meetings, namely, seven more to come.

The first has already been held. The second (as previously announced) will be on March 17, and the third (two days) on April 7 and 9. The fourth will be held on May 5. The original fourth (two days) becomes the fifth, on May 26 and 28. June 23 is omitted (its place having been taken by May 5). The three meetings for the second half of the season remain as fixed originally.

Particulars are given in an advertisement on page 7.

ANNUAL RACE.

YESTERDAY'S KOWLOON MARATHON.

1927 WINNER THIRD.

Private Tiernan of the Royal Army Medical Corps won the seventh annual Kowloon Marathon yesterday, beating last year's winner, Private Cranston of the 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B., but his time was not as good as that of 1927.

Cranston made the pace at the outset yesterday but gave way to Tiernan and Lce./Cpl. Atherton. Towards the end, the winner came away with a fine sprint.

Out of 44 entries received by the St. Andrew's Church Young Men's Club, 35 turned out in a slight drizzle. Three were civilians, others being from the 2nd Scots Guards, 2nd King's Own Scottish Borderers, 1st Queen's Regiment, R.A.M.C. and Royal Artillery, H.M.S. "Carlisle," "Herald," "Seraph," "Ambrose," "Titania," "Thracian" and "Marazion."

The 1925 winner, R. Hannan, formerly of the East Surrey Regt., was also a competitor.

The course was the same as in other years, starting from outside St. Andrew's Church, along Nathan-road into Waterloo-road to Kowloon City, returning by way of Victoria Home through Hunghom, along Chatham-road and turning into Nathan-road by Middle-road and back to the Church a distance of approximately 6¼ miles.

The First Ten.

The order of the first ten to finish was as follows:—

1st. Pte. Tiernan, R.A.M.C., 34 min. 13 secs.
2nd. L/Cpl. Atherton, 2nd K.O.S.B., 34 min. 35 secs.
3rd. Pte. Cranston, 2nd K.O.S.B., 34 min. 59 secs.
4th. Gunner W. Goodridge, R.A., 35 min. 24 secs.
5th. Sub-Lieut. F. W. Collins, H.M.S. "Ambrose."
6th. Sergt. Calvert, 2nd K.O.S.B.
7th. Pte. Woolard, 1st Queen's.
8th. Pte. Gilchrist, 2nd K.O.S.B.
9th. Pte. Barras, 2nd K.O.S.B.
10th. S. J. Davis, H.M.S. "Titania."

Immediately following the race, the trophies were presented to the successful runners by Mrs. W. W. Rogers.

Winners to date are:—

		min.	sec.
1921	A. Mair	*30	32
1922	no race		
1923	V. C. Bell	35	27
1924	Lt. Armstrong, 1st East Surrey Regt.	35	40
1925	Bandsman R. Hannan, 1st East Surrey Regt. ...	35	00
1926	Seaman Holden, H.M.S. "Despatch"	34	54
1927	Pte. Cranston, 2nd K.O.S.B.	34	11½
1928	Pte. Tiernan, R.A.M.C.	34	13

*Distance in doubt.

Prize Donors.

The Rev. W. W. Rogers congratulated those who had just failed to gain places but who had stuck out the course. He thanked the donors of the prizes in the name of the Young Men's Club. The donors of the prizes were Mr. R. M. Dyer, B.Sc., M.I.N.A., Mr. W. S. Bailey and Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., M.I.N.A.

Mr. Rogers also extended his thanks to Messrs. J. and W. Baldwin, the secretary and treasurer of the Club, for their willing help, and to those who so kindly lent their cars to the officials.

MILITARY TENNIS.

The results of the "Other Ranks" lawn tennis tournament arranged by the South China Command Sports Board were as follow:—

Singles: S/Sgt. Hardy, R.A.O.C. beat Corpl. Bendall, R.A.O.C.

Doubles: S/Sgt. Waterford and Pte. Lake, R.A.O.C. beat Sgt. Trumper and Sapper Adams, R.E.

Garrison Tennis League: Royal Engineers, "A" team, winners; Headquarters 2 K.O.S.B. and Royal Army Medical Corps, runners-up.

Gates at recent Merthyr Town matches have been very poor. The game with Exeter City produced only £97, while the match with Bristol Rovers realised but £78.

HOME FOOTBALL.

TWO MATCHES PLAYED IN THE LEAGUE.

PRESTON MOVE UP.

London, Yesterday.

Matches played to-day in the Football League resulted:—

Division I.: Tottenham 1, Cardiff 0.

Division II.: Preston North End 5, Notts. Forest 0.—Reuter.

Division I.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Everton	30	14	9	7	76	52	37
Huddersfield	28	16	4	8	68	47	36
Leicester	30	14	7	9	71	53	35
Bolton	31	14	6	11	63	49	34
Cardiff	31	13	8	10	52	51	34
Blackburn ...	30	12	9	9	45	50	33
Burnley	32	14	4	14	61	68	32
Liverpool ...	30	11	9	10	68	59	31
Newcastle ...	30	11	9	10	58	56	31
Tottenham ..	30	13	5	12	61	61	31
Bury	31	14	2	15	54	57	30
Aston Villa .	29	12	5	12	56	54	29
Sunderland ..	28	11	7	10	55	53	29
Middlesbro' ..	31	9	10	12	62	66	28
West Ham ..	30	11	6	13	59	67	28
Derby	30	10	7	13	67	67	27
Arsenal	27	10	7	10	57	59	27
Birmingham .	30	7	12	11	49	61	26
Portsmouth .	30	10	6	14	59	73	26
Sheffield U. .	29	9	7	13	51	62	25
M'chester U.	28	10	5	13	47	54	25
Wednesday ..	29	5	10	14	49	62	20

Division II.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Goals. F.	A.	Pts.
Chelsea	30	18	6	6	57	30	42
Preston	31	17	8	6	71	42	42
M'chester C.	29	18	5	6	75	45	41
Leeds	31	17	6	8	74	51	40
Oldham	30	16	6	8	59	34	38
Stoke	29	15	5	9	54	43	35
W. Bromwich	31	12	9	10	69	55	33
Notts. Forest	29	13	6	10	65	58	32
Swansea	30	13	6	11	60	55	32
Port Vale ..	30	14	3	13	54	46	31
Bristol City .	31	12	7	12	62	61	31
Grimsby	30	10	10	10	46	57	30
Hull	29	9	11	9	34	38	29
Reading	30	9	8	13	44	59	26
Clapton O. ..	30	10	6	14	45	64	26
Barnsley	30	9	8	13	39	63	26
Southampton	31	9	7	15	48	56	25
Notts. County	31	8	9	14	49	59	25
Fulham	30	9	5	16	59	69	23
Blackpool ...	31	8	7	16	60	82	23
Wolves	30	8	6	16	46	75	22
Sth. Shields .	31	4	6	21	41	88	14

BILLIARDS.

SHANGHAI PORTUGUESE COMING.

TEAM SELECTED.

The following team has been definitely selected to represent the Club Lusitano of Shanghai against the Lusitano Hilliard Association of Hong Kong in an interport billiards match between the Portuguese of the two ports.

The Shanghai team leaves by the "Empress of Asia" on March 15:—G. M. P. Remedios (captain), F. A. Alves, A. M. Souza, A. A. Silva, L. R. Barrera, J. Medina; Reserve: S. Rivero; Manager: J. C. de Britto.

LOCAL MATCH.

At the Chief Petty Officers' Club last night, a Royal Navy team lost to the Royal Engineers by 58 points. Scores:—

R.N.		R.E.	
S.B.P.O. Pyne	90	S.M. Osborne	150
E.R.A. Davies	150	S.S. Royal	81
Jnr. Light	129	Sgt. Maymard	150
E.R.A. Read	93	Q.M.S. Roberts	150
C.P.O. Best	129	S.S. Peachey	150
C.E.R.A. Dean	150	Sgt. Harrison	118
Total	741	Total ...	799

"CROWN OF LIES."

From a drab boarding house to a glittering palace abroad and back again in a rose covered cottage—this is the journey, replete with incidents of hazard, anxiety and happiness, that Pola Negri takes in "The Crown of Lies," which is being screened at the World Theatre to-day and to-morrow. The direction is excellent, giving evidence of the subtle ideas and adroit effects for which Dimitri Buchowetzki is known. Credit is also due to Noah Beery, villain man who goes into the business of "selling a queen" to his country, the real queen having disappeared following a revolution. Miss Negri, of course, is the pseudo queen. She is in reality an immigrant girl who aspires to become a great actress. Because of her remarkable resemblance to the missing queen she gains a throne. Ernest Vajda, noted Hungarian playwright, wrote "The Crown of Lies" specially for Miss Negri.

"ALTARS OF DESIRE."

Mae Murray, dainty heroine of "The Merry Widow" and dozens of screen romances, has turned to comedy in her latest picture, "Altars of Desire," in which Conway Tearle plays opposite her in the male lead. "Altars of Desire" is the type of comedy that has lately found favour with film fans, the comedy flavoured with romance. "Altars of Desire" was directed by Christy Cabanne, who directed "The Masked Bride" and other successes. Maude George, Robert Edeson and Andre Beranger are included in the cast. "Altars of Desire" will be screened at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

LOCAL SHIPPING.

TO-DAY'S REPORT AND DEPARTURES.

THIS MORNING'S RETURN.

The arrival of vessels to this Colony to-day (March 6) as recovered by the Harbour Office, include some 17 vessels, of which there are 7 British vessels; 4 Japanese, 3 Chinese, 1 Norwegian, 1 Dutch and 1 American vessel.

The cargo imported to the Colony by the above vessels totals 19,076 tons, 8,924 tons being shipped by the 7 British vessels. Most of the cargo imported is general merchandise.

The cargo shipped through Hong Kong for ports beyond amounts to 14,026 tons, of which amount 5,678 tons are being carried by the 7 British vessels.

As regards the above figures, the best return for cargo imported to this Colony, was shown to-day by the s.s. "Man Sang" (Messrs. J. M. & Co.) from Sandakan—4,808 tons general cargo.

The highest figures for cargo being shipped through Hong Kong for ports beyond was registered by the s.s. "Monaka Maru" (Messrs. Mitsubishi & Co.) from Wakamatsu, Sakito—3,000 tons coal.

Passengers arrived to this colony in the time under review, by the above ships' total 3,330 persons including 3,115 Asiatic deck; 119 Asiatic cabin; 96 European cabin.

Departures.

For Shanghai:—Suwa Maru, Asia.

For Swatow:—Kwangchow, Hopcang, Hydrangea, Yingchow.

For Canton:—Chinkiang, Kanchow, Hsin Wah, Chenan.

For Macao:—Shui Hing.

For Swatow:—Melols.

For Singapore:—Celebes Maru.

For Amoy:—Soochow, Antung.

For Manila:—Pres. Jefferson, Achilles.

For Saigon:—Kronviken.

For Tunkin:—Yusang.

For Nagasaki:—Bengloe.

For Keelung:—Pawnee.

Clearances.

For Whampoa:—Seistan, Daifuku Maru.

For K. C. Wan:—Sunkong.

For Shanghai:—Australian.

For Keelung:—Siberia Maru.

For Saigon:—Wong Shek Kung.

For Swatow: — Lushan Maru, Svale.

For Pakhoi:—Raymond Poincare.

For Hongay:—Maud.

Shipping Abstract.

	Arrivals	Departures	In Port.
British	7	12	24
Japanese	4	2	11
Norwegian	1	2	5
Chinese	3	2	15
Danish	0	1	2
Dutch	1	0	6
Panama	0	1	0
American	1	1	2
German	0	0	1
Portuguese	0	0	2
French	0	0	1
	17	21	69

MONEY & SHARES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank wire	2/- ⅛
Bank on demand	2/- 3/16
Bank 30 day's sight ..	——
Bank 4 months' sight...	2/- ⅜
Credits 4 months' sight	2/1⅛
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/1¼
On Paris—	
On demand	1245
Credits 4 months' sight	1820
On Berlin—	
On demand	——
On New York—	
On demand	49⅛
Credits 60 days' sight	50⅛
On Bombay—	
Wire	134¼
On demand	134¼
On Calcutta—	
Wire	134¼
On demand	134¼
On Singapore—	
On demand	86¾
On Manila—	
On demand	98¾
On Shanghai—	
On demand	78½
30 day's sight (private paper)	——
On Yokohama—	
On demand	104¼
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	——
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	9.00
Silver (per oz.)	26 3/16
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Chinese Copper Cash	nom.
Chinese Copper Cents	6% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin ..	30 % dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	Par.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day—Queen's Theatre; "The Circus."

To-day—Special Concert, Cheer 'O, Y.M.C.A., at 7.45 p.m.

To-day—World Theatre; "The Crown of Lies."

To-day—Star Theatre; "Altars of Desire."

March 8—Musicale at Helena May Institute.

March 8—Dance, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

March 8-10—World Theatre; "Drusilla With A Millions."

March 8-10—Star Theatre; "The Little Irish Girl."

Maarch 9—Sing-Song, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

March 10— Concert, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

March 11— Music, Cheer 'O Y.M.C.A., at 7.30 p.m.

Sports.

To-day—R. H. K. Golf Club (Ladies' Section) medal competition.

March 7—Whist Drive, Cheer 'O, Y.M.C.A., at 7 p.m.

Lammerts' Auction.

March 9—At Sales Room, Duddell St., valuable office and household furniture, etc., etc., 2.30 p.m.

Meetings.

March 10—Thirty-second yearly meeting of shareholders in the Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., 2, Lower Albert Road, noon.

March 16—Thirty-ninth general meeting, of the H.K. Electric & Co., Ltd., Company's offices, P. & O. Bldg., noon.

Miscellaneous.

To-day—St. Peter's Y.M.C. debate in St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6 p.m.

March 8—Mrs. Ralphs distributes prizes at the Central British School, Kowloon, 5.30 p.m.

NOTICES.

G. R.

HONG KONG GOVERNMENT 6% PUBLIC WORKS LOAN OF 1927.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the bonds for the above mentioned Loan can be obtained on application at the Chief Office of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.

C. McI. MESSER,
Colonial Treasurer.

Hong Kong, March 6, 1928.

NOTICE.

THE HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS, will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Buildings, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, 20th March, 1928, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 20th March, 1928 (both days inclusive).

By Order of the Board of Directors,

R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 6th March, 1928.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Revised DATES of Extra Meetings 1928.

17th March.
7th and 9th April.
5th May.
26th and 28th May.
6th and 8th October.
10th November.
1st December.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 6th March, 1928.

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SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING.

SUNDAY, 11th MARCH, 1928.

FIRST RACE 1 P.M. SHARP

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Members' Enclosure ... $2.00

RACE STEAMERS:

SUI AN Leaves Hong Kong 8 a.m. Returning from Macao 4 p.m.

TAISHAN leaves Hong Kong 9 a.m. Returning from Macao 5.30 p.m.

By Order,

S. W. CHENG,
Secretary.

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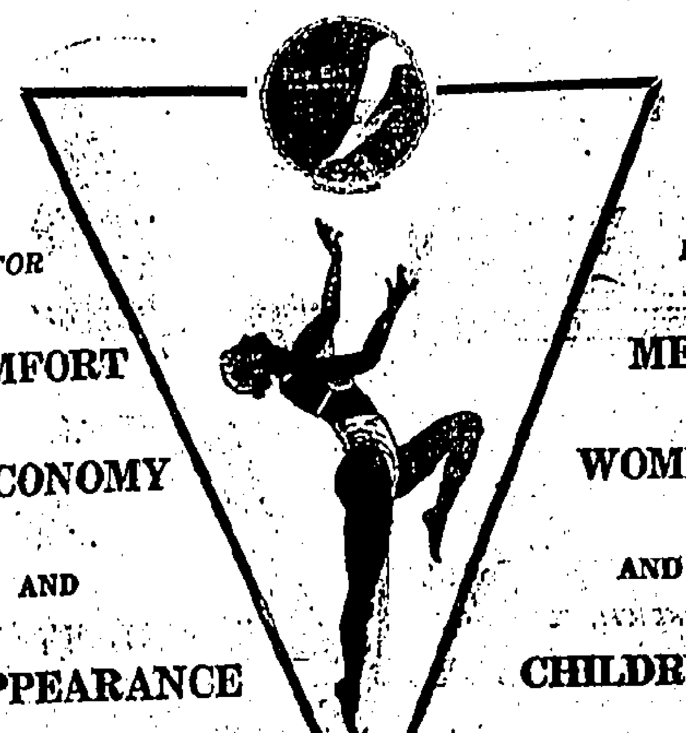

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LOCAL AND GENERAL SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

H.M. the Queen has given £105 to King Edward's Hospital Fund for London.

The final contingent of the Royal Marines from Shanghai have arrived at Portsmouth.

Rev. H. W. G. Abscott, curate of All Saints', Hereford, has been appointed Chaplain, R.N., and to H.M.S. "Titania."

Viscount Lascelles and Viscountess Lascelles (Princess Mary) are to spend a part of the spring in the warm climate of Egypt.

M. Charles Pindor was to leave Warsaw on Jan. 31 for Peking with a view to completing negotiations on the subject of a Polish-Chinese Treaty.

The Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. announces that telegraphic communication between Hong Kong and Shanghai and beyond has been re-established.

Plans of the North-East Coast Exhibition at Newcastle next year provide for palaces of engineering, industry, and art, a festival hall, gardens, and a sports ground.

Mr. F. P. Small (President) and Mr. C. H. Benson (general manager in the Far East), of the American Express Co., sailed from Hong Kong last night on the "President Jefferson" for Manila on a business visit.

A raid was conducted by the police on Sunday in the Shun Hoi Kok, Chinese seamen's Boarding House, No. 14, Gage Street. The place was thoroughly searched, but nothing of an illicit nature was found, and no arrest was made.

Singapore, March 5.—Selangor Chinese Chamber of Commerce have adopted a resolution in favour of the gradual removal of rubber restrictions from the end of 1928, provided the Dutch producers do not agree to co-operate in the scheme.

Mr. & Mrs. G. W. Kynoch arrived to-day on the "St. Albans" from Sydney. Other Hong Kong passengers were Mr. W. H. Beatty from Melbourne, Mr. & Mrs. K. McIntyre from Brisbane, Commandant Pascale from Townsville and Mr. T. Kobayashi from Sandakan.

Mr. L. R. Wheeler, B.Sc., B.A., (London), Assistant Commissioner of Boy Scouts for Malaya (F.M.S. and Malacca) who was Assistant Inspector of Schools in Perak for some months past, has left Gopeng for Kuala Lipis where he will be Inspector of Schools, Pahang.

Mr. E. W. Latie of the Columbia Pacific Line arrived in Hong Kong yesterday on the "President McKinley" from Manila and will continue his voyage on the same ship to Seattle. Mr. Latie was a leading baseball player in Hong Kong in the season before last.

Lt.-Col. Frank S. Cooper, D.S.O., who handed over command of the 2nd Batt The Suffolk Regiment at Shanghai on Feb. 1, on completion of his tenure, possesses a knowledge of the Chinese language, and previously served three years at Wei-Hai-Wei with the 1st Batt. Chinese Regiment.

By 17 votes to 15, a motion "That the Cinema exerts a greater influence on public opinion than the Press" was rejected at a debate held by the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club last night. Mr. P. Sands and Mr. G. S. Zimmern led for the motion; Mr. H. G. Hughes and Mrs. W. Faid led the opposition.

Yesterday Mr. W. Schofield fixed Friday for the hearing of the murder charge against the Standard Oil Company's watchman, Sandagar Singh, who is alleged to have killed a fellow watchman named Jitte Singh by hacking him with a chopper and almost severing the head from the body.

Whilst on a trip on a ferry boat from Hong Kong to Mongkok, a young Chinese woman suddenly jumped into the harbour. A seaman of the launch immediately jumped in after her and succeeded in rescuing the woman. She is stated to have attempted suicide following a quarrel with her husband.

The police have received a report from a Chinese woman that she and a companion had been victimised by another woman to the extent of $20,000 in a jewellery deal. One of the victims parted with $8,000 and the other $12,000. The alleged swindler could not be found, but the two complainants managed to secure her maid servant, whom they took with them to the police yesterday and made their report. The swindle occurred some time ago, and the fact that [illegible] the matter until yesterday does not help their case.

Mr. W. L. Pattenden returned to Hong Kong on Sunday by the "President Jefferson."

Dr. J. I. Noest, Dutch Vice-Consul in general service, has been appointed to a post at the Consulate General at Shanghai.

It is notified in an advertisement on page 7 of this issue that bonds for the Hong Kong Government 6 per cent. Public Works Loan of 1927 can now be obtained from the Hong Kong Bank.

HENRY MILLER, WASH. D.C.

Lieut. C. Frank Schilt, U. S. Marine Corps aviator, who by his daring work saved 18 Marines and native guardsmen at Quilali, Nicaragua, from death at the hands of the revolutionary forces under General Sandino. Flying a two seater plane, Lieutenant Schilt dived down into the narrow streets of the town and brought his plane to safe landing and under heavy fire carried the men two at a time to his plane and transported them to the Marine base at Ocatal, 25 miles away.

Events for the week at the Cheer 'O Naval and Military Y.M.C.A., in Queen's Building; to which all Servicemen are invited, are as follow:—Tuesday, 7.45 p.m., special concert; Wednesday, 7 p.m., whist drive; Thursday, 7.30 p.m., dance; Friday, 7.30 p.m., sing-song; Saturday, 7.30 p.m., concert; Sunday, 7.30 p.m., music.

Boston, March 5.—For the most interesting and most memorable story of at least 70,000 words, having as background the World War, the publishing firm of Houghton and Miffin and the American Legion Monthly are jointly offering a prize of G.$25,000 in addition to the customary royalties. The competition is open to all nationalities, but the manuscript must be in English.—Reuter.

The former Chinese engineer of the steam launch "Wo Fat Shing," who is charged in connection with the armed robbery on the launch on October 12 last when gold ingots worth $32,000 were stolen, was again before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistratey yesterday. Sub-Inspector Dorling informed the Magistrate that he had been instructed to withdraw the charges against the accused, and he was accordingly discharged.

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Fraulein Tutti Fertig, who was chosen from hundreds of European beauties of Vienna, Budapest and Paris, as the Queen of Fashion of Berlin for 1923.

Through passengers, bound for Manila, on the "President Jefferson" which arrived here on Sunday included:—Mr. F. E. Borden (Feltman Bros.) and Mrs. Borden; Mr. F. Sykora, Texas Oil Co.; Dr. J. N. Hall and Dr. Leonard Freeman (from Denver), on a visit to the Far East with their wives; Mr. E. A. Baum, Ensign E. H. Kirsch, Lt. and Mrs. R. W. Woodworth, to join the U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey; Miss Doris A. Halford, daughter of the Asiatic Fleet Commander of the U.S. Marine Corps; Mr. A. Wulker (Messrs. Connell Bros.); Mr. I. F. Simkins, P. I. Bureau of Insular Affairs; Mr. F. V. Chamberlain, Far Eastern representative of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Picture Corporation; Mr. E. C. Nolan, round-the-world tourist; Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Sutterle of Shanghai; Mr. E. S. Cooper of Shanghai; Mr. S. M. Blackburn (banker of Cincinnati) with Mrs. Blackburn and son, going round the world.

Lord Glanely and Sir William Reardon Smith have been offered the freedom of Cardiff.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Whitamore have arrived in Shanghai from Chinwangtao, by the str. "Kaiping."

A wag declares that Scotsmen have ceased telling stories about themselves—because they are at their own expense.

Sir Edward Kadoorie and his son, Mr. L. Kadoorie, arrived from Shanghai on Sunday, by the "President Jefferson."

Lady Victoria Feilding, daughter of Lord Denbigh, is coming to China. She is to stay at Singapore with Sir Hugh and Lady Clifford for a time.

Believed to be over 100 years old, a golden carp, 28½in. long and weighing nearly 30lb., was netted and replaced in a pond at Bislington Priory, Kent.

Mr. T. B. Wilson, general agent in Hong Kong for the Dollar and American Mail Lines, has returned to Hong Kong from Amoy where incidents relating to the freighters "Edmore" and "Cupram" have successfully attended to.

Colombo, March 5.—Three Buddhist priests are going to London to establish a temple at Kensington to propagate Buddhism. A wealthy Ceylonese is meeting the priests' expenses and donating 75,000 rupees towards the establishment of the temple.—Reuter.

London, March 5.—The death is announced of Baron Sinha formerly well-known as Sir Satyendia Prassano Sinha, K.C.S.I., Governor of Bihar and Orissa. He studied law in England and was a King's Counsel and practised as a barrister in the Calcutta High Court.

The January bulletin of the P.E.N. Club recalled us that the late Thomas Hardy as recently as October last received with characteristic warmth a young Chinese whose enthusiasm for the great writer's work brought about a meeting. "C'etait un jour inoubliable," wrote Mr. Y. S. Kuo,—"It was an unforgettable day."

Among the passengers who arrived at Hong Kong yesterday on the "Sarpedon" from Home were:—Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Danby, Mr. & Mrs. J. S. McIntosh, Major R. Todd, Mr. & Mrs. M. H. Turner, Mr. R. G. Edkins, Mr. S. H. Edkins, Mr. R. T. Innes, Mr. & Mrs. G. K. Oliver, Mr. J. T. Towns and Mr. A. B. Wilkinson.

Among the passengers who landed at Hong Kong from the "President Jefferson" on Sunday were Mr. W. H. Woodward, Standard Oil Co.; Mr. S. S. Kwa and Mr. C. C. Gan, Shanghai bankers; Mr. W. G. Pirie, Mr. Z. Sachs, Mr. I. Sassoon, Shanghai brokers, Mr. Sassoon being accompanied by Mrs. Sassoon; Mr. W. W. Baer, Union Oil Co.

Sir Charles Addis, Sir Edward Crowe, Mr. H. D. C. Jones (Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank), Mr. Takao Incai (Sumitomo Bank), Mr. Matsui (Mitsui Bank) and Mr. H. Suzuki, were among those who attended a memorial service for Mr. Michael Spencer-Smith, held on Jan. 27 at St. Helen's Church, Great St. Helen's, Bishopsgate.

Professor W. E. Soothill, of Oxford, who has recently been lecturing in Manchester on China, has gone to the United States, having accepted an invitation to serve as visiting professor at Columbia University, New York, from February to June. He will deliver a course of lectures on Chinese language and literature.

Mr. H. E. Oakley, C.B.E., M.Inst.C.E., Deputy Director of Works and Buildings, Air Ministry, retired on Feb. 1 after 37 years in the Civil Service, having entered the Works Department of the Admiralty in 1890. During his service with that Department he was engaged on the construction of docks at Chatham, Malta and Hong Kong, airship sheds at Kingsnorth and Cardington, and air stations at Cranwell, Lee-on-Solent, and Calshot. He was transferred to the Air Military in 1918. He is succeeded by Mr. R. F. M. Pearson, M.Inst.C.E.

Miss Eva Cavalli, a well-known mezzo-soprano and wife of M. Paul Richter, is a daughter of the late Mr. Louis Spitzel, one of Li Hung-chang's advisers. He died twenty years ago, and Mrs. Spitzel survived him till a few days before mail week, says the "China Express & Telegraph." Li Hung-chang was one of the greatest mandarins of latter-day Monarchy in China. He rose to fame in General ("Chinese") Gordon's time and visited Hong Kong as Viceroy of Canton. A so-called Chinese dish, famous in [illegible] as "Li Hung-chang" chop-suey.

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SWIMMING POOL AND CINEMA INCLUDED IN FACILITIES.

In the presence of a large and distinguished gathering, King's College, the outgrowth of the Saiyingpun School, was formally opened yesterday afternoon by H.E. the Governor.

Situated in Bonham Road, at the junction of Western Street, the new building is excellently designed and fitted out for the imparting of higher education. Containing twenty-nine class-rooms, Physics and Chemistry laboratories, Library and Museum, Art Room, Gymnasium, Cinema Projecting Room, Workshop, Covered Playground, Photography Room, Swimming Pool with Sand Filter and numerous facilities, King's College well deserves the description of "super building" bestowed on it at the opening ceremony.

A NOTABLE GATHERING.

The Great Hall of King's College, beautifully designed and capacious, was filled almost to overflowing on the occasion of yesterday's ceremony. Passers-by, attracted by the crowds and the strains of music, (selections were played by the drum and pipe band of the 2nd K.O.S.B.'s), lined the path and road and special Police were on duty to control the traffic.

At 3 p.m., the official guests assembled at the main door of the College in readiness for the arrival of H.E. the Governor who, on his arrival, was conducted to the main door and handed the key by Mr. A. A. Morris, Headmaster. The Governor's flag was hoisted at the main entrance, the formal opening ceremony was performed and His Excellency the Governor entered the building, followed by the official guests, others having in the meantime proceeded to the Great Hall.

After the formal opening, H.E. the Governor proceeded to the Great Hall via the spacious South verandah, Scout and St. John Ambulance Brigade members who are students at the school standing to attention as His Excellency and party passed.

Those who were present on the platform, together with His Excellency the Governor, included H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, Mr. A. E. Wood, Director of Education, Mr. W. W. Hornell, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong, the Rt. Rev. C. R. Duppuy, Bishop of Victoria, the Rt. Rev. Bishop H. Valtorta, Sir Henry Pollock, Sir Shou-son Chow, Sir Joseph Kemp, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, the Hon. Mr. H. T. Creasy, the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, the Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, Dr. W. B. A. Moore, Col. C. Russell Brown, Capt. A. J. W. Whyte (A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor), Mr. J. A. Fraser, Mr. T. F. Claxton, Mr. W. W. J. Carrie, Sir Eric Stuart Taylor, Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Mr. E. Ralphs, Mr. G. P. de Martin, Mr. A. E. Wright, Col. Bostock, Capt. Charnock, Professor Hinton, Professor Finn, Professor Brown, Professor C. W. Wong, Professor Simpson, Mr. E. W. Carpenter, Mr. E. I. Wynne Jones, Mr. S. B. B. McEderry, Mr. B. Wylie, Dr. J. T. Smalley, Fr. Byrne, Mr. A. H. Crook, Mr. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. Kwok Siu-lau, Mr. Woo Hay-tong, Dr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Ip Lan-chuen, Mr. Lo Chung-kue, Mr. Li Yik-mui, Mr. Wong Ping-suen, Mr. Chan Pek-chuen, Mr. Fung Ping-shan, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, Mr. Ng Wah, Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. C. Y. Wang, Mr. Lai Chai-hsi, Mr. Au Tai-tin, Mr. Tang Siu-kin, Dr. Ma Luk, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Mr. Li Ping, Mr. Fung Heung-chuen, Mr. Leung Pat-yu, Mr. Chau U-ting and Mr. Lee Hysan.

Others present included the Rev. W. T. Featherstone, the Rev. E. W. L. Martin, Miss K. Woo, Mr. G. F. Nightingale, Rev. H. R. Wells, Mr. W. Kay, Rev. N. V. Halward, Rev. N. Evans, Mr. A. Stevenson, Mr. A. G. W. Tickle, Mr. H. C. Lowick, and representatives of educational and other institutions in the Colony.

The proceedings in the Great Hall opened with the unveiling by H.E. the Governor of the School Shield. This, said Mr. Morris, the Headmaster, had been presented by Mr. Tsang Po-ki and the work was executed by Mappin and Webb. It was the largest single piece of enamel manufactured by that firm.

H.E. the Governor then unveiled the portrait of the late Mr. Chan Shek-shan, donor of the Chan Shek-shan Scholarship.

The Headmaster presented a ceremonial key to H.E. the Governor after which he addressed the gathering as follows:—

MR. A. MORRIS.

Headmaster's Review Of School's History.

To-day is an auspicious occasion in the annuals of educational progress in Hong Kong, marking as it does the long delayed official opening of yet another school; a school to be known by the proud title of King's College, which is to provide for higher education up to Matriculation Standard.

Some ten years ago, Dr. Lim likened our University to a Lighthouse. If this simile is true, then King's College is one of the many beacon buoys marking the navigable channel and approach to that lighthouse. If at first our light is feeble and flickering, with due care and attention to the fuel and trimming, with the flight of time, that light will burn no less brilliantly nor steadily than that of its sister beacons.

To you, sir, the College is indebted for its name, for you will recollect that in March 1926, when you visited the building in its incomplete state, you selected the style King's College,—a title of which we all can be justly proud.

It is my sincere hope that each student will strive to "Live up" to, and justify its regal signification, and all that is implied thereby.

"From Little Acorns."

At this juncture it will be of interest to trace the past history and development of the Saiyingpun School, of which King's College is the outgrowth, exemplifying the proverb, "Great oaks from little acorns grow."

Although many years must elapse before maturity is reached, yet the sapling has taken root, and under the guidance of succeeding headmasters who must water the tree and prune it and ruthlessly cut away dead and decaying branches, the young giant will attain its full measure of growth, and rear its head amongst the older and more sturdy monarchs of the forest.

Saiyingpun School dates back to 1879, in which year the Government decided to establish a Free School at West Point, and appointed as the first Headmaster Mr. Fung Fu a returned student from America, and who was selected after a competitive examination as an assistant teacher for the Central School where he remained for one year.

The School was accommodated in Nos. 35, 37, 39 and 41 Third Street, the upper floors being occupied by Punti Scholars, and the lower by Hakka pupils. Later English was taught to both sections without distinction.

Grew and Prospered.

Like the child Samuel, the school grew and prospered and after a period of 12 years, the number in attendance had reached 110. The late Dr. Eitel was instrumental in inducing the Government to erect a more permanent building which contained four class rooms, on the site of the existing Vernacular Middle School, a spot which had been used hitherto as a rubbish heap, or in local parlance,—Lap Sap Tan.

Mr. Fung retained the Headmastership for a further period of 12 years, until 1903, when he retired on pension. Mr. Fung is with us to-day, hale and hearty, and a witness to the fruit of his pioneering.

Mr. W. H. Williams succeeded to the Headship in the same year, and remained at Saiyingpun until 1905, when he was transferred to the Victoria British School which came into being at this time.

My tenure of office dates from June of that year.

Instructive Figures.

The following figures are instructive and illuminating.

For 1905 the average attendance was 51.6 and fees amounted to $754; for 1906, 92.1 and $1,907; 1907, 216.0 and $4,496; 1908, 296.9 and $6,704.

The success of the school being now assured,—at one time it was proposed to close it down—the building was enlarged by the addition of six new class rooms; fees were increased to $3.00 a month, and classes were limited to 40. Even these additions, amendments, and restrictions proved inadequate, and it is no exaggeration to say that each succeeding year scores of would-be students were refused admission.

The year 1909 which marks the apex of attendance in the old building, saw the addition of two matsheds to the Class room accommodation, and although intended for temporary use they served for teaching purposes for a period of 16 years.

In that year, the average attendance reached 403.0, and Fees for the same period totalled $9,152.

Thus, in the brief space of 4 years, numbers had increased eight fold.

Pioneer Lady Teacher.

Yet another phase dates from this year. The transfer of Mrs. Morris from the post of Headmistress at Victoria British School to Saiyingpun in September 1909, marked a new era, not only in the history of Saiyingpun School, but in the education of Chinese boys in Government Schools in Hong Kong, for Mrs. Morris is the pioneer lady teacher. Lord Lugard, then Sir Frederick Lugard, speaking of this innovation, i.e. the introduction of lady teachers into boys' schools, said, "I am sincerely glad to hear from the Director of Education that the experiment has proved a success."

The experiment was extended to Queen's College and the other Government Schools, and to-day each counts one or more lady teachers on its staff. Speaking with inside knowledge of the good foundations laid by Mrs. Morris in the lower classes, I would be failing in my conception of the debt we owe her, if I did not acknowledge that the measure of success attained at Saiyingpun was due very largely to her loyal co-operation, indefatigable support, influence for good, and above all her sacrifice, in all that appertained to the well being of the school.

In a Matshed.

Sixteen years' teaching in a matshed savours more of India than Hong Kong, and might be the title of a book dealing with the progress and development of Educational practice in Hong Kong.

The year 1910 marks yet another advance in the staffing arrangements, for at this time the first English Assistant Master was appointed.

In 1914 plans were prepared for the further extension and rebuilding of the school, and the temporary transfer of pupils and staff to Ellis Kadoorie School during the reconstruction, but the conditional promise of the late Sir Ellis Kadoorie to present that building to the Government and the subsequent fulfilment of that promise deferred the development of Saiyingpun School, a delay which has been more than compensated for in this present structure.

One of the earliest references to an entirely new building is contained in the answer to a question put by Sir Henry Pollock at the introduction of the Budget on October 24, 1917.

In reply H.E. the late Sir Henry May recognised the necessity of providing a new building on a new site.

The Old Building.

The following year on October 18, 1918, the late Mr. P. H. Holyoak in his Budget speech referred to the disadvantages and inadequacy of the old building and pressed for a new one, and his remarks were endorsed by the late Mr. Ho Fook and the late Mr. Chan Kai-ming, the two Chinese representatives on the Legislative Council at that time.

Sir Claud Severn, in reply, held out hopes of removal to a larger and better site, but it was not until 1921 that the Director of Public Works stated in the Legislative Council in reply to Mr. A. O. Lang that an exchange of land was being negotiated. This exchange was carried through, and in 1923 work on the foundations and retaining walls was started. In April 1924 the contract for the superstructure was let.

At an earlier period, I had been requested to state the requirements of this new school, and the existing building embodies most of these requirements.

In the statement I endeavoured to provide for a model school, and how far the Government has complied you can best judge by an inspection of the premises.

There were conferences in which the late Director of Public Works and the late Director of Education took part, but the design and drawings were the work of Mr. Dawbarn, whose plans have since been selected from amongst many competitors, for the new Raffles College at Singapore.

Main Features.

To enumerate briefly the main features of this building, King's College contains 29 Class rooms, a Physics Laboratory, a Chemistry Laboratory, Library and Museum, Art Room, Gymnasium, Great Hall, Cinema Projecting Room, Workshop, Covered Playground, Photography Room, Swimming Pool with Sand filter, and the Storage Rank; Lavatories and Cloak Rooms on each floor; Staff Rooms, Headmaster's and Clerk's offices, and Sanitary arrangements of the latest and most approved type.

The equipment is not yet complete. The Gymnasium and Workshop need apparatus, which it is hoped to provide this year.

I wish to remind our many Chinese Friends and Patrons, that while a benevolent and paternal Government provides for the running expenses of this institution, there is much that they can do to show their appreciation and recognition of the facilities provided for in this building for the education of the rising generation.

The boards upon these walls indicate that a few scholarships have been endowed: more and yet more are required, and while I am diffident of enumerating all our needs in detail, I will be most happy and willing to state them to any who are interested.

Mr. Fung Ping-shan has promised to equip the Chinese section of the Library, while from other benefactors, donations have been received, certain of which have been expended on the English side of the Library.

A gift which is highly appreciated is the latest edition of the Encyclopædia Britannica the gift of Mr. H. W. Ray, manager of the Hong Kong Amusement Co., and a former Assistant Master at Saiyingpun School.

Super Building.

In conclusion the Government and the Colony generally are to be congratulated on possessing such a super building, a building with scracely an equal anywhere.

The Duke of York School at Dover, the latest and most up-to-date of the Army Schools, is deficient in many of the features embodied here and surpasses this College only in respect of its Playing Grounds of which there is a real and urgent need in Hong Kong.

A School which has accommodation for 900 students should be considered by the Recreation Ground Committee when allotments are made.

While there appears to be no hope of amelioration in the immediate future, an eye must be kept on the possibilities of laying out a Football Recreation ground at Pokfulam or even as far afield as Aberdeen, which locality is served by buses and launches, and i accessible.

The Siamese Prince who went over the school in December, 1926 was much impressed with what he saw, and like the Queen of Sheba who after viewing the Temple at Jerusalem was constrained to say "The Half has not been told."

The students too are to be congratulated on being permitted to attend such a fine school, replete with all necessaries and comforts.

Here I would add a word of warning and exhortation to guardians and pupils:—the unswerving loyalty of all is demanded—loyalty to the Government and the school—and it is sincerely hoped that no one will, through any ill-considered act or advice, bring discredit upon the escutcheon of King's College.

H.E. The Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi) who performed the opening ceremony yesterday.

Mr. A. Morris, A.C.P., headmaster of King's College.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR.

Colony's Finest School Buildings.

H.E. the Governor said:—

Mr. Headmaster,—I rejoice with you that the official opening of King's College, so regrettably delayed, has at last been accomplished and I wish the school a long, honourable and successful career. The career of the school under another name and in other premises has already been a long one, dating back to 1879. Next year, therefore, it will celebrate its jubilee. Its career hitherto has also been honourable and successful, especially so since in 1905 you, Mr. Morris, became its headmaster. It was a fortunate circumstance that four years later your wife, Mrs. Morris, joined the staff of the school. You and she have been its father and mother and under your parental care and guidance the school has expanded from an average attendance of 51 pupils in 1905 until the present year, when 700 pupils are on its roll. I congratulate you on this fine achievement and I am very glad that, while you are still headmaster, the school has now been worthily housed.

King's College bears a proud name. It has the finest school buildings in the Colony; and it has a headmaster of proved ability assisted by a capable staff. Under very favourable auspices it now enters on a new era in its history and I wish it a right royal future of usefulness and beneficence.

Cheers By Students.

Cheers for the Governor, the visitors and King's College concluded the ceremony.

Following the ceremony, visitors were entertained to tea in the Gymnasium and Library and Art Room, light refreshments being served also in the Students in Training" room. The excellent accommodation and facilities for study and recreation were inspected by the visitors.

A huge string of crackers was fired by the students on the Western side of the building.

SCHOOL DESCRIBED.

Round Three Sides of A Square.

The school is built around three sides of a square, and may be divided into a North Wing, a Centre Wing, and a South Wing. There are three floors on each wing.

South Wing.—On the south are situated the tower, entrance lobbies, Headmaster's office, Masters and Mistresses' common rooms, and some 30 class rooms.

The Headmaster's office is conveniently placed near the main door in a commanding position. Separate rooms are allotted to the European and Chinese Masters, and Mistresses, each room having washing and lavatory accommodation in closer proximity. Spacious verandahs run along the outside of the wing, greatly increasing the coolness of the classrooms by shading them from the heat of the sun without in any way depriving them of light. There is a stairway at the far end of the wing, so that in an emergency the pupils could leave the college without all crowding on to the main staircases.

Each floor has a large cloak room for the use of the classes on that floor, every pupil having for his own particular use ample peg and shelf accommodation. The cloakrooms are open only immediately before and after a session, being kept locked during school hours, so that theft is rendered very difficult, if not impossible.

For Pupil Teachers.

There is on the middle floor of this wing a Training Students' Room, designed for the use of pupil teachers from the University. This is fitted with separate cloakroom accommodation, and is ideal for demonstration purposes, lectures and discussions. Beyond the Training Students' Room one comes to the main doors of the Great Hall.

On the Ground floor there is an extremely neatly planned photography room, and in the basement a large room fitted with benches which has been set apart for wood-work and carpentry. This room is not as yet fully equipped, but when completed it will be a boon to the student with a practical turn of mind.

Personal Cleanliness of the pupils of King's College is a very important point which has obviously not been forgotten by those to whom the building owes its existence. On every floor there is a large washing-room with wash basins, and what is of very great benefit in the Summer months, a supply of filtered drinking water. The large 'crush' spaces at the heads of staircases and ends of corridors and verandahs do much to prevent accumulation of dirt.

North Wing.

The North Wing contains the Physical and Chemical Laboratories, the Library and Art Room, and the Gymnasium. The Science School, which was the only part retained for the use of the pupils during the military occupation, comprises two large laboratories, one for Physics and one for Chemistry, a balance room and a masters' preparation room. The floors of the laboratories are made of a special acid-proof composition and the wooden benches have been treated so as to render them practically immune from attack by the chemicals in ordinary use.

The Chemistry laboratory and the preparation room are fitted with fume cupboards, and the balance room has fixed concrete tables for the balances to obviate vibration effects during accurate weighings. Each laboratory can accommodate very comfortably about 40 pupils, and both are in continual use. The supply of apparatus is both thoroughly up to date and reasonably adequate for present demands.

The Library and Art Room are situated below the laboratories. The library is as yet very poorly furnished with books, but the generosity of friends of the College has made it possible to acquire the nucleus of what will someday, we hope, be a worthy collection. Every educational foundation that merits its name should possess a well-stocked library containing not only standard works of reference but also lighter literature—the "all work and no play" proverb applies as well to Chan as to Jack. In the intellectual line, the library should to a very large extent supplement and assist the work of the senior classes of the College.

Art Room and Gym.

The Art Room is at the far end of the library, and is an exceptionally well-lighted room with much of the necessary apparatus for teaching drawing. No one envies the European who has the task of teaching Western views of prospective and colour values to Eastern eyes, but at King's College every possible facility for this task exists.

The Gymnasium is on the ground floor of the North wing, opening on to the play ground. It is not complete at the present time. The value of drill and a certain amount of gymnastic instruction cannot be over-estimated. The physique of our Chinese citizens is far from what it might be, and, apart from bodily benefit the discipline of muscles and

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RADIO TOPICS

RADIO & PROFIT.

THE PUBLIC AND THE B.B.C.

ON TRIAL.

During the lifetime of the British Broadcasting Company we were content to admire the undoubted success with which this new and untried venture was handled and to overlook the many points in which its practice seemed open to objection, writes Mr. Otho W. Nicholson, M.P., in the "Daily Mail." We hoped that when stability was secure the defects would be amended.

When at last the company went down, to rise again as the British Broadcasting Corporation, it seemed that the time had come when, freed from the necessity of feeling its way and of satisfying the requirements laid on a private concern, it could devote itself to supplying the service for which that public asks and pays.

There can be scarcely any dispute that it is for the listening public to decide what the programmes shall be. The only difficulty which should exist is in determining their desire. To assist in this determination "The Daily Mail" conducted a ballot which resulted in the tabulation of the votes of more than one and a quarter million listeners, a very useful indication for the guidance of a supplier anxious to give satisfaction.

How small has been the attempt to follow the wishes of the general public is abundantly clear. Not one person in ten has anything but disapproval for the programmes, and an analysis of them shows how utterly they disregard the general wish as expressed by the "Daily Mail" ballot. I have taken three issues of the "Radio Times" at random and analysed the London programmes.

Comparison with the ballot result is illuminating. Whereas the expressed desire of the ballot placed talks of various kinds fifth and eleventh on the list, with an allowance of 11 per cent. in all of the total, the analysis shows that talks stand easily first in point of time occupied, with 23 per cent.

The discrepancy is further accentuated when it is noticed that almost all the dance music, which stood fourth on the ballot, is now broadcast between 10 p.m. and midnight, and that if the hours in which the general listener has most interest, from 6.30 p.m. to 10 p.m., are considered, practically one-third is devoted to talks.

If this unfortunate position could be regarded as the result of misunderstanding it would be bad enough. But clearly it is due to mistaken views as to the duties of the corporation. Its attitude suggests that it has a mission to educate and uplift the poor unenlightened masses who know no better than to desire music and amusement, and that it is for the corporation to dispense to them such small portions of this inferior enjoyment as it shall decide are sufficient.

Any criticism would probably be met by an answer amounting to an expression of this opinion, bolstered perhaps by expressions of approval received concerning the talks.

The corporation forgets that minorities are always vocal, and that the most vocal of all are minorities of cranks. Not that I would suggest that admirers of talks are necessarily cranks, but an examination of the subjects and the experience of a regular listener show that even were talks the general desire the wrong kind are being given.

If, therefore, neither the amusement nor the true education of the listener is being adequately tended we naturally look for some more cogent principle that may be actuating those responsible for the conduct of the service. By what touchstone is the suitability of possible items judged?

Why should it be necessary to do more than utter an occasional reminder that programmes are issued? Why emphasise extraneous matter that will appear in these papers? Why persistently urge the necessity of early application for the latest publication?

"Zeal, Mr. Simple, all zeal? I fear not. Profit, I am afraid, is nearer the mark. So far has the corporation travelled from the proper conception of its duties that it is no longer concerned with pleasing its employers. It is no longer even particularly interested in educating them. Its main concern has grown to be the production of a profit for its own publications. Any talk which will provide a snappy or attractive title for an article likely to sell the "Radio Times," any opera that will justify the publication of a libretto, and particularly anything likely to prove a bait for advertisements, is good enough for a programme. The public may call for what it wants: it must take what it gets. The corporation sits remote and beyond appeal.

MUSIC & RADIO.

ONE EFFECT OF "LISTENING-IN."

Sir H. Walford Davies, who is pre-eminent among wireless talkers and famous in the musical world, discussed with me the effect of five years' broadcasting on music and musical appreciation. Various suggestions have been made on this subject. One is that listening to wireless or the gramophone is not encouraging people to learn to sing and play themselves; another that "mechanised" music is undesirable. We came to the conclusion in this conversation that there was not necessarily any direct relation between listening and performing, any more than there is between novel reading and novel writing. Thousands of people might read a certain book without being influenced for or against novel writing. Similary, if wireless and the gramophone had "mechanised" music, then printing must surely have "mechanised" writing. To pursue the analogy a little further, after the arrival of "mechanical" reproductions, people had a further choice, whether, for instance, they would prefer to read an article by Mussolini or prefer to hear his own voice uttering the same words. It might be urged that wireless or the gramophone had the advantage, since printed words are capable sometimes of different interpretations, whereas the inflexion of the voice often clears up any ambiguities of context. In this argument, however, the sine qua non is perfect reproduction. On a recent occasion I heard one of the B.B.C. sets recommended for the reception of educational broadcasts, and it approaches very near the ideal. Listeners, I am afraid, are often too much inclined to judge the quality of transmission by the performance of their own circuits and loud speakers.

The broadcasting of music has achieved one great thing. It has brought the best music performed by the best artists into millions of homes. A high standard of performance has therefore been set, but I do not see why that should discourage singing and playing. On the contrary, it is to be hoped that as the musical audience has grown from thousands to millions with the coming of wireless, so the ranks of players will be swelled in the same proportion.

The music department at Savoy Hill takes infinite pains over the preparation of its musical programmes, and the task of catering for its enormous audience is a source of no little anxiety. Constructive criticism is, moreover, welcomed. The difficulties of the situation can be put to a personal test by anybody. Ask two or three friends what items they like best, and they will probably give entirely conflicting answers. That is only on the question of music; on the rival claims of talks and music there is an even greater cleavage of opinion.—"Daily Telegraph" Correspondent.

POOR PAY.

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A professional singer who applied to the British Broadcasting Corporation for an engagement writes to "The Daily Mail":

As doubtless you are aware there is considerable distress among singers through unemployment at the present time, and this to my mind makes the sending of the enclosed letter from the B.B.C. to professionals all the more amazing:

The letter he received from the B.B.C. ran:

We can offer you an opportunity to sing in the male voice choir of the national chorus in the performance of Schonberg's "Gurrelieder," which is to be broadcast from the Queen's Hall on January 27. For this performance and the rehearsals we can offer an inclusive fee of £2.

The singer is required to attend eight rehearsals, making in all 22 hours.

When asked why they paid such a small fee, an official of the B.B.C. stated that artists who are taken to assist in an augmented chorus are counted as amateurs, and the £2 they are given is not meant to be a fee, but expenses to cover their atendance at rehearsals. "Anybody, who writes to the B.B.C. is given an audition," added the official, "and those that are considered good enough are given an opportunity to sing in an augmented chorus."

Songs of Gurra.

In the current issue of the "Radio Times" appears the following paragraph:

The Gurrelieder, or songs of Gurra, which is to be broadcast on January 27, has never been given to a British audience owing to the huge resources needed and the consequent expense. It is only the B.B.C., with its almost unlimited public, that could afford to give such a performance.

TONE QUALITY.

How It Is Attained.

It is very often said by people when discussing radio that a crystal set is far better than a valve set, from a standpoint of quality of tone and reproduction. Taking this statement broadly, it is correct in that the owner of the average crystal set gets rather better clarity than the average user of a valve.

Because this is so it must not be imagined that the valve set is incapable of reproducing a musical, or, for that matter, any programme.

While it is a fact that the reproduction of a crystal set varies with the quality of the parts used, it is hardly noticeable on account of this small amount of volume delivered into the receiver. On the other hand, the differences are amplified many times in the valve set, and are therefore much more noticeable, being represented by distortions and noise. Yet another cause of distortion comes from the tendency of the average owner to overdrive his set in, and endeavour to get five-valve strength out of a three-valve unit.

From these facts, then, poor reproduction in a valve set is first of all due to poor parts, or to the parts being used beyond their designed capacity.

Apart from the overloading that a set is subjected to in the ordinary course of events, the quality of the reproduction depends on the quality of the audio transformers, and, of course, on the quality and tonal purity of the loud speaker. Transformers that in the old days were looked on as the best, lacked the ability to faithfully reproduce music or voice over the whole range of frequencies, and where they are used it will be noticed that the low notes and the very high notes are blurred and indistinct. Another thing is that the voice of the announcer is very often made thick, so that one has to strain to catch what is said.

To fully realise the shortcomings of one's own set it is only necessary to listen in to high grade set for about half an hour, and note the differences in the reproduction. Note the low boom-boom of the big drum and the high, shrill, clear notes of the violin. Note also how clear and pure are the announcements. No strain whatever is necessary to catch the words of the announcer.

How can you improve your receiver to come up to this standard of prefection? you ask.

The only satisfactory way is to discard those old radio transformers, and replace them with those of a later type.

Overloading.

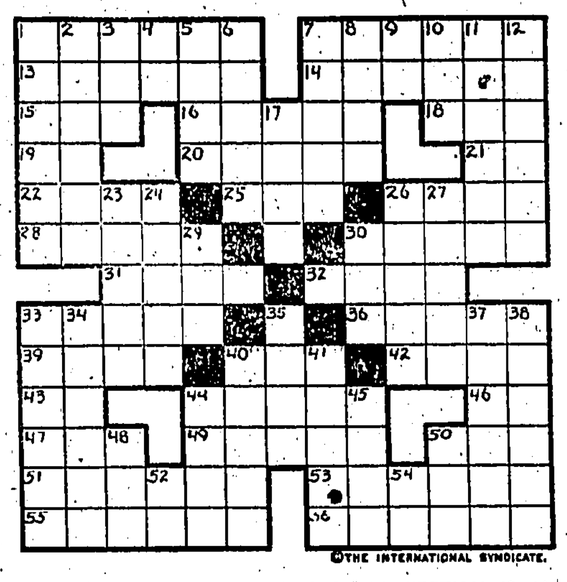
It will probably have been noticed by owners of radio sets with transformer coupled amplifiers, that only two stages of amplification are employed. The reason of this is that more would tend to make badly distorted signals. Even with only two valves, and very good transformers, it is easily possible to overload the set so that the signals are blurred. A good test of this is to tune in the set to Brisbane, and then tune in to a Southern station, such as Farmers, or 3LO. In most cases the difference in the quality of the reception will be found to be very much more clearer than our local broadcast. The majority of set owners are prone to put this down to faulty transmission on the part of our station, but the real fact is that, owing to the extra power received from local broadcast the set is overloaded, and consequently distorts. For proof of this one has only to go to Sydney or Melbourne, and listen to the complaints about the mushiness of their local transmission, and the beautiful clarity of 4QG.

While, perhaps, the average amateur or listener-in does not even now realise that his set is overloaded, manufacturers have recognised the fact for quite a long time. To combat it at first, what is known as push pull amplification was resorted to. Briefly, this meant that two valves were placed side by side at the end of the set so that they could take the load together. Recently, however, the power valve has come into being, and it is now a simple matter to insure the set against overloading, so that now by the use of better transformers and a power valve, it is possible to get any broadcast as faithfully and as clearly as that claimed by the most inveterate crystal users.

Yet another point that is overlooked is that the quality as well as the sensitivity of a receiver are also dependent on the adjustment of the filament rheostats. The detector and H.F. rheos need special care in their adjustment, and, generally speaking, they should be kept as low as possible, as this will invariably improve the quality of tone. Many a good receiver is spoiled by the improper regulation of the detector valve. Likewise, if the H.F. valves are burning too brightly the valves tend to block the music instead of amplifying it, with the result that distortion often takes place. Make your motto for reception, especially during the summer months, "Quality, not distance."

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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HORIZONTAL
1–Invoke
7–Ere
13–Decorated
14–Come
15–Unruly crowd
16–Spry
18–Knock
19–Within
20–Indentations
21–Accomplish
22–Remainder
25–Pen
26–Evening (pl.)
28–Ether compound
30–Norwegian's neighbor
31–Soon
32–Exhaled
33–Attempted
36–Verity
39–Undersized pig
40–Took possession
42–Dry
43–Exists

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
44–Makes indistinct
46–Like
47–Serpent
49–Modern invention
50–Emmet
51–More thin
53–Dance
55–Proceeded with measured steps
56–Remitter

VERTICAL
1–Esteem
2–Lazy folks
3–Stab
4–Toward a higher place
5–Peruse
6–Films
7–Briny
8–Raw minerals
9–Conjunction
10–Insect egg
11–Avoided

VERTICAL (Cont.)
12–Sloop
17–In
23–Blot
24–Belief
25–Wide-mouthed pitchers
27–Place of trial
29–Measure of length
30–Determined
33–Tribulations
34–Kind of apple
35–Boisterous
37–Semi-conscious state
38–Girl's name
40–Store
41–Tours
44–Reared
46–Angry
48–Equal
50–Also
52–Negative
54–Article

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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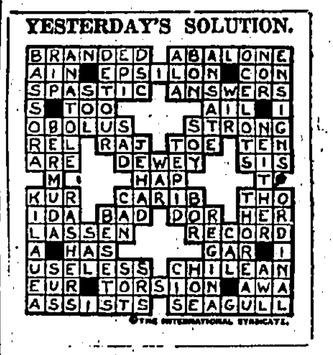

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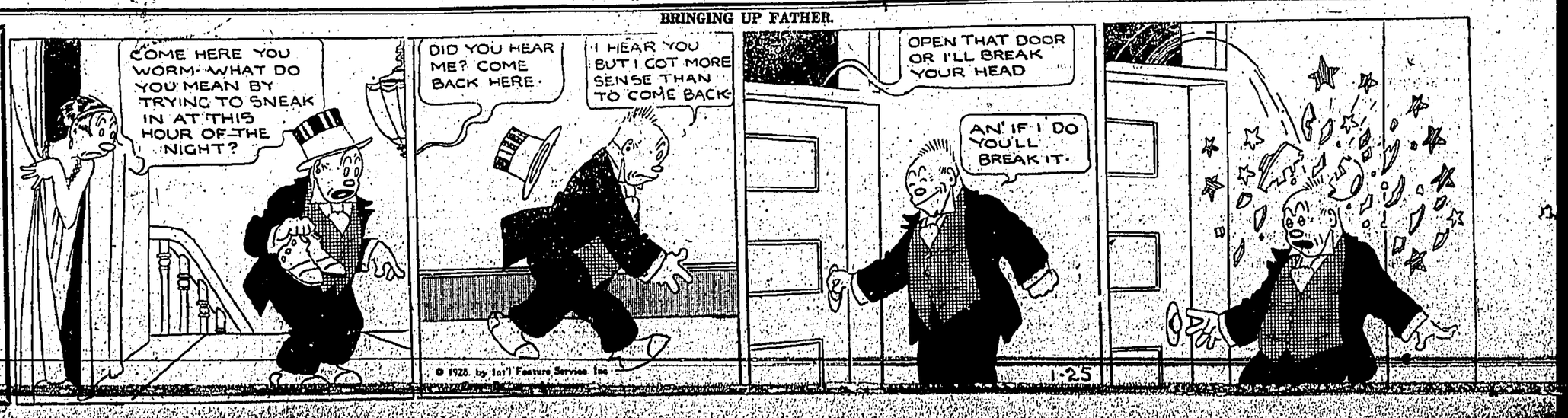

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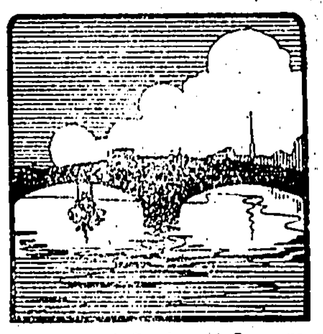

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SHANGHAI APPOINTMENT.

Shanghai, March 2.

Mr. Alexander Krisel, of the firm Krisel & Krisel, attorneys and counsellors-at-law, was appointed United States Commissioner and ex-officio judge of the American Consular Court, yesterday afternoon, by Judge Milton D. Purdy of the U. S. Court for China. Mr. Krisel succeeds Mr. N. E. Lurton who resigned a short time ago to join the firm of lawyers Schuhl and Schoenfeld.

The new United States Commissioner has been in China since 1912, and was in the American consular service before resigning to practise law in Shanghai. He was born in Alliance, New York, on December 18, 1890, and attended law school in Brooklyn, N. Y., and at the St. Lawrence University. From the latter place he received the degree of Bachelor of Laws in 1911.

In January, 1913, Mr. Krisel passed successfully the examination as student interpreter in China in the American Consular service, and the following March he received his appointment. His first post was as vice and deputy-consul at Swatow, followed on December 14, 1914, by the post of vice and deputy-consul and interpreter at Chefoo. In February 1915 he was appointed to Shanghai as vice-consul and interpreter, and designated to exercise judicial authority and jurisdiction in civil and criminal cases in February 1916.

He resigned from consular service in March 1918 and began the practice of law, in the firm Krisel and Krisel, at 21 Museum Road, his brother being for a time his partner.

Mr. Krisel is an authority on patents, copy-rights and trade-marks in China and as such an expert he has appeared in several important cases in local courts. He is, moreover, a Chinese scholar and speaks Chinese fluently.

It is interesting to note that he was not an applicant for the post, but received his appointment from Judge Purdy without application.

As Commissioner he will perform the functions ordinarily, in the United States, done by a Grand Jury. As ex-officio judge of the American Consular Court he has jurisdiction in all civil cases involving G.$500 or less and in estates of deceased Americans of G.$500 or less, and in criminal cases where the penalty is a fine not exceeding G.$100 or 60 days' imprisonment.

Mr. Tao-yen Wang, M.A., Commissioner for Education, from Fengtien, Manchuria, spoke on "China and the West" on Jan. 31 at Caxton Hall, Westminster, under the auspices of the Union of Democratic Control. Mr. Wang, who was commissioned to study educational methods in America and Europe, is now visiting England to study English methods.

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A "SUPER SCHOOL."

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obedience to words of instruction do much to counteract slackness of mind. It is, however, absolutely imperative that such work be in the hands of a trained man—it is no work for an amateur. In this respect the Government have a unique opportunity of allowing King's College to follow the best schools at home and thus to set an example to the schools of the East. The position of physical instructor should be a wholetime job in the hands of a trained man.

Excellent Playground.

The excellent playground space is one of the most pleasing features of the College. The quadrangle formation has left an ample square in the centre of the building, and beneath the Great Hall there is a large covered playground for use in wet weather. This covered part would indeed make quite an agreeable place of open-air teaching were it ever deemed advisable or necessary to do so.

The surface of the playgrounds is a composition, which makes it possible for them to be swilled and brushed if they ever became dirty. There are a volley-ball court, a basket-ball ground, and a tennis court in the main playground, and before the commandeering of the building the College fought several stirring games on their own court.

Tuck Shop.

In the covered-in playground there is a tuckshop under strict supervision where everything sold is kept under the most hygienic conditions and where only the purest food and drinks are retailed, so that parents are relieved from anxiety on this score.

On the far side, well removed from all buildings and quite separate in construction, is a lavatory block, which is fitted with the latest improved Western sanitary arrangements, and which might well serve as an example of cleanliness, and convenience to most institutions—and indeed to most private houses!—in the Colony. It is approached by a covered passage way from the lower floor, and is also accessible from the playground. There is always a coolie on duty whose functions are to ensure that everything shall be maintained in perfect order.

Swimming Pool.

Adjoining the playground there is a swimming pool whose design is both artistically pleasing and practical. The water for this can be changed frequently, as there is a large storage tank under the playground. This is fed by water which is taken from a nullah and filtered in the combined fountain and filter which is in front of the Bonham Road wing, in the centre of a small lawn the green of which has a cooling effect in the hot days. The swimming pool is next to the dressing rooms below the gymnasium, where students can obtain a fresh water shower bath after their exertions, and where there is also ample accommodation for clothes. Most visitors will be most impressed by the Great Hall, which with its gallery has seating accommodation for well over a thousand. The hall can be filled in eight minutes utilising the main doors only, and in an emergency using the side door as well it could be emptied without confusion in well under half this time. The Hall has an ample stage fitted with wings and side curtains and a cinema screen. It is thus admirably equipped for lectures, demonstration, cinema performances, private theatricals, prize givings and any function of a ceremonial nature. On the walls there are the Scholarship boards containing the names of those boys who hold and have held the various scholarships in the gift of the school and also the names of the donors. It is unfortunate that the College has as yet no Senior Scholarships tenable at a University after school years, but it is hoped that this will be remedied when it is realised what an incentive such scholarships are to the senior classes.

The cinema projection room is behind and above the gallery approached by a separate staircase, which is built of the latest fire-proof plans with asbestos sheetings. The Great Hall is extremely well illuminated.

Government Generosity.

The entire building is equipped with electric roof fans of the latest type, and the ventilation system in general is most efficient rendering all rooms cool in hot weather and ensuring a continual supply of fresh air without creating draughts. The building is fitted throughout with modern fire-extinguishers and there is also a long fire hose kept in its own store-room in the covered play-ground. In the event of fire the pupils could leave the school in three separate ways, without crowding or congestion.

We must offer our heartiest congratulations to the Hong Kong Government for their wise and far-seeing generosity in building and equipping such an excellent College which is a pattern of what a modern secondary school should be. We must also commend for their public-spirited generosity and assistance the numerous patrons and friends of the school who have followed its fortunes from its inception, and to whose aid financial and otherwise the pupils of the School owe a great deal of gratitude.

We would like to take this opportunity of impressing upon the Government the urgent necessity for supplementing the district schools and rehousing the present Queen's College by two new Colleges on similar lines and structure as the new King's College—one situated preferably in the Happy Valley district and one on the Peninsula where at present non-Government schools have to a large extent the monopoly. The creation of King's College is good, but the policy should be continued to its logical conclusion.

Patrons and Donors.

The following are patrons and donors of King's College: Sir Robert Ho Tung (Scholarship) Mr. Chan Pek-chun (Scholarship), the late Mr. Chan Shek-shan (Scholarship), Mr. Woo Hay-tong (Scholarship), Mr. Ho Kom-tong (Scholarship), Mr. Hu Cheong (Scholarship), Mrs. Chan Shek-shan, Mr. Tsang Po-ki, Mr. Fung Ping-shan, Mr. H. W. Ray, Dr. Y. K. To, Hon. Mr. H. W. Bird, Mr. Wong Kam-fuk, Mrs. Chan Lo-shi, Mr. Li Ping, Mr. Tsik Yuk-tong, Mr. Fung Heung-chuen, Messrs. Kien Lee, Messrs. Sang Lee, Messrs. Kang On, Mr. Iu Tak-chung, Mr. Choa Po-sien, Mr. So Yuet-tai, Mr. Lo Chung-wan, Mr. Ng Se-mei, Mrs. Ng Choa-si, Mr. Chan Shau-fung, Mr. U To-sang, Mr. U Yat-u, Mr. Chan Wing-yung, Mr. Chan Shu-cheuk, Mr. Chan Shiu-yung, Mr. Choa Chong, Mr. U Kam-sheung, Mr. Wong Yau-nam, Mr. Chan Siu-cheung, Mr. Chan Chi-hang, Mr. Chak Mun-cheung, Mr. Chan Kang-wu, Mr. U To-ting, Mr. Cheung Lai-tat, Mr. U Yew-sang, Mr. Wong Sze-lai, Mr. Chan King-shan, Mr. Chu Sham-wing, Mr. Hang Yuk-ming, Mr. Hui Tong, Mr. Tong Hee-man, Mr. Li Kit-son, Mr. Sung Chun-wa and Mr. Tse Kwai.

SHANGHAI VETERAN.

MR. McALISTER LEAVES REVENUE OFFICE.

29 YEARS' SERVICE.

Shanghai, March 2.

An interesting function took place on Tuesday, at the Revenue Office, the occasion being a presentation to Mr. Donald McAlister on his retirement after 29 years in the Municipal Council's service. The presentation was made by the Commissioner of Revenue, Mr. E. L. Allen, on behalf of the foreign staff, and took the form of a handsome dressing-case with a suitably engraved silver plate let in.

Mr. Allen remarked that occasions of that sort, brought all old hands face to face with the realisation that times rapidly were changing and they all were getting older. His own connection with the Revenue Office dated from March, 1899, and Mr. McAlister joined the service in June of the same year. There were left very few of the old staff, but those who had severed their connection with the Revenue Office, with few exceptions, had left behind them a wonderful record of integrity and of work well done, as Mr. McAlister now did. He could recall the time when, both young men, they would go out riding together in the early hours of the morning, but lately their chief sport had been lawn bowls and an occasional round of golf. He would say nothing about the work of the office, except to mention that it was in 1902 that the first motor-cars were licensed and during Mr. McAlister's service this number had grown to over 6,000. When they joined the Revenue Office the total ordinary income of the Council was Tls. 995,000 per annum, and this figure had grown to over 11 millions.

Mr. McAlister was born in Dunedin, New Zealand, in 1879, came to Shanghai in 1898, and joined the Council's service in 1899. In local sporting circles he leaves an enviable reputation. His exploits in shooting, lawn-bowls, and golf are recorded on many shields and cups in local clubs. His opponents always knew that in meeting "Mac" in any of the various competitions, they would have to go all out to beat their doughty adversary. He served in S.V.C. for 25 years and has the Boxer and long service medals. It is Mr. McAlister's intention to sojourn for a while in British Columbia, after which he will retire to his native town of Dunedin.

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London, Yesterday.

Captain Hacking, Under-Secretary for Overseas Trade, stated that the result of the British Industries Fair in London and Birmingham had been eminently satisfactory. There were 256,000 square feet of exhibition space in London and 120,000 square feet in Birmingham. Both figures beat the previous records and represented a total increase of 130,000 square feet over last year.

The attendance was also a record, being in London 103,586 and in Birmingham 103,000. A large amount of space had already been booked for next year. This year's exhibition had been of real practical benefit to all sections of British industry and he was satisfied it would lead to an increase of business.

Asked if he would consider whether the fair could not be put on a more permanent footing and be held for a longer period Capt. Hacking replied this was being considered.—British Wireless Service.

ITALY AND AUSTRIA.

COMMENT ON DUCE'S SPEECH.

GERMAN IMPRESSIONS.

Vienna, Yesterday.

The newspapers' comment on Signor Mussolini's speech is restrained. They point out that Mussolini dwelt on the subject of national freedom whereas the burden of the Austrian complaint related to cultural freedom.

The Government organ "Reichspost" welcomes the assurance that Italy desires good understanding with the German peoples but fears that divergencies in conception and ideas will form an insuperable barrier thereto.

The "Neue Freie Presse" says that Mussolini's threats are unworthy of such a dominant personage and such a dominant nation.

The "Neues Wiener Tagblatt" says the speech does not reply to the charges made in the Austrian Parliament.

Berlin, Yesterday.

The speech has created a most unpleasant impression in Germany and commentators are unanimous that Mussolini has seldom if ever spoken more brutally or more cynically. They declare the speech constitutes a challenge to the whole of Germanism.

The "Deutschetages Zeitung" says the manner in which Mussolini now declares previous solemn Italian assurances are invalid and must further weaken confidence in Italy's word promises throughout the world.—Reuter.

MURDER PLOT.

DESIGNS ON PRESIDENT OF MEXICO.

Mexico City, Yesterday.

The Police state that, through the arrest of a Catholic priest named Osorio Leyva, they have discovered a widespread plot to assassinate President Calles and General Obregon, the only candidate in the field to succeed President Calles in the presidential elections.

A quantity of literature urging Mexicans to revolt in the name of the League of the Defence of Religious Liberty is alleged to have been found in the Priest's house.—Reuter's American Service.

Highway Robbers.

Calexico, Cal., Yesterday.

Four Americans, three of whom were alleged to be American naval deserters, and who were arrested on a charge of highway robbery, escaped from jail at Ensenada but were overtaken on the Tijuana Road and shot dead by a posse of Mexican officials.—Reuter's American Service.

JAPAN AND CANADA.

Ministers Plenipotentiary For Each.

CANADA'S DESIRE.

Agreement Reached Between The Two Countries.

London, Yesterday.

Replying to a question in the House of Commons, Mr. Amery, Dominions Secretary, said an agreement had been reached between the Governments of Canada and Japan whereby it was proposed, subject to the approval of the Canadian Parliament and the Japanese Diet respectively, that each of these countries should be represented in the other by a Minister plenipotentiary.

His Majesty's Government in Great Britain were informed in advance of the desire of the Canadian Government for such an arrangement which was in accordance with a resolution of the Imperial Conference in 1926.—British Wireless Service.

SOLICITOR MARRIED.

MR. H. J. ARMSTRONG & MISS V. J. THWAITES.

YESTERDAY'S CEREMONY.

The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral yesterday of Mr. Harold John Armstrong, of Messrs. Deacons, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Armstrong, to Miss Vera Joan Thwaites, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thwaites.

The Rev. H. V. Koop officiated.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was attired in a white satin robe de style and carried a bouquet of white roses and carnations. She was attended by Miss Dorothea Bewley as bridesmaid and Miss June Dowbiggin as flowergirl, also by Master Robin Hall as page.

The bridesmaid wore a pretty dress of crepe de chine and georgette and the bride's mother was attired in fawn georgette and lace with velvet picture hat to match.

Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones was Best Man.

The service was fully choral.

Many friends of the young couple were entertained at a reception at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden after which Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong left for Shek O. They leave for England to-morrow by the s.s. "Empress of Russia," the bride's travelling dress being of beige embroidered georgette with hat and fur to match.

MIND AND BODY.

RELATION IN REGARD TO CULTURE.

MISS DIANA WATTS' LECTURE.

Stretching, elasticity and balance comprised the secret of the enormous physical strength of the ancient Greeks, said Mrs. Diana Watts in the course of a lecture and demonstration at St. Stephen's Girls' College yesterday on the Greek ideal of physical culture.

With perfect balance, fatigue was reduced to a minimum said the lecturer. The principle of balance was that the centre of gravity should be kept constantly in a vertical position, with the weight of the body supported on the ball of the forward foot.

The lecturer illustrated her theory with photographs of Greek sculpture and personal demonstrations. Dealing with the interrelation of body and mind, the lecturer stated that perfection of balance not only meant the conservation of enormous physical energy so that fatigue could be postponed indefinitely, but the freeing of physical energy meant a conservation of mental energy.

Mr. L. G. Cranna, General Secretary Singapore Y.M.C.A., has returned there from Hong Kong.

The Bishop of Singapore has paid his first visit to Penang. The Colonel Chaplain held an "At Home" in order to afford the congregation an opportunity of meeting the Bishop and his Lordship preached in the presence of a large congregation.

A HELPING HAND.

Arbitration Committee's Offer.

THAT OPTIONAL CLAUSE.

Lord Cushenden Reiterates Britain's Policy.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The committee of arbitration and security has passed a resolution inviting the Council to inform all members that it was prepared to lend its services in the event of difficulties during the negotiations of the arbitration treaty or security pact for a pacific settlement of any dispute.

A further resolution related to the optional paragraph of Article XXXVI of the Statute of the Permanent Court of International Justice and recommended that members should adhere to it.

Lord Cushendun reiterated Britain's inability to adhere to the clause as her interests were those not of one but of several Governments. Nevertheless, Britain encouraged others able to sign.—Reuter.

Mandates Commission.

Geneva, Yesterday.

The Council discussing the report of the Mandates Commission has passed a resolution asking "A" and "B" mandatories to furnish information concerning postal matters and the national status of inhabitants in the mandate territories and calling for general statistics and final statistics required by the Commission.—Reuter.

KHUSHI FINED.

STARTED UP LONE MOTOR CAR.

BOTH GET DUCKED.

Khushi Mohammed, the curious Indian police constable (No. B109) whose adventure with an Overland Whippet motor car on the Praya on Sunday night was reported yesterday, is poorer by $100 this morning.

The sequel to Khushi's escapade occurred in Major C. Willson's Court at the Central Magistracy this morning, when he was charged with misconduct as a police constable.

He entered a straightforward plea of "guilty," and then stood stolidly in the dock awaiting the worst.

Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., (D.S.P.) who prosecuted, told the Magistrate that the charge arose out of the defendant's interference with a motor car (No. 288) whilst on duty on Sunday night. The car was unattended when Khushi interfered with it. This much Mr. Wodehouse was sure of, but what led up to the disaster appears not to be clear.

Mr. Wodehouse informed the Magistrate that there were various versions as to what happened, but the defendant's own story was that the driver had left the car with the engine running, and he had gone to stop it. However, that was no excuse, because even if the engine was running, Khushi had no business to interfere with the car.

"Attached."

As the result of Khushi's interference, Mr. Wodehouse proceeded, the car backed into the harbour with Khushi "attached" to it!

In view of the fact that Khushi had pleaded guilty, Mr. Wodehouse that he would not press for a heavy penalty. He would be satisfied if the Magistrate imposed a fine and order Khushi to pay $50 as compensation to the owner of the car.

Replying to the Magistrate, Mr. Wodehouse said that the damage done to the car is estimated at $300 at least, but it was covered by insurance.

Major Willson accordingly imposed a fine of $50, and made the order for Khushi to pay $50 compensation.

Everything considered, Khushi got off quite "cushie" after all, but there is still some sleep to lose over the "departmental inquiry" which has been promised him!

Sir Ronald Macleay, former British Minister at Peking now in the same capacity in Prague, and Lady Macleay spent a few weeks in England and have returned to the Czecho-Slovak capital.

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